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NEET-PG TO BE HELD AS PER SCHEDULE ON MAY 21: CENTRE

The government said the notice being circulated claiming that the examination has been postponed to July 9 is 'fake'

VISIT NBEMS' WEBSITE FOR CORRECT DETAILS

The National Board of Examination in Medical Sciences (NBEMS) issued a notice saying, "some unscrupulous elements are circulating false and bogus information". The NBEMS advised the public to visit its website: *https://natboard.edu.in* for authentic information on NEET-PG. The NBEMS conducts postgraduate and postdoctoral medical examinations

JUNIOR DOCS PUSH FOR DELAYING EXAM

- The Centre's advisory comes a day after 15,000 NEET-PG aspirants submitted a memorandum to Prime Minister Narendra Modi, urging that the upcoming postgraduate examination be postponed
- Junior doctors say since the counselling for last year's exam is still going on, there is not enough time to prepare for this year's exam

1.5 lakh

MEDICAL STUDENTS ARE SET TO APPEAR FOR THIS YEAR'S NEET-PG

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6L HECTARES DEEMED KARNATAKA FOREST LAND 'DECLASSIFIED'

GO issued, papers for farmers, dwellers soon

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru, Udupi

THE state government has 'declassified' over six lakh hectares of deemed forest land, leaving only 3.30 lakh hectares of such land in the state.

Following a cabinet decision in 2014, the government on May 5 this year issued a government order, declassifying the forest land. Forest Minister Umesh Katti told reporters in Udupi that there was a long-pending demand from many dwellers and farmers to declassify the land which was classified as deemed forest as per a 1996 Supreme Court order. "Farmers and dwellers from across the state will now get title deeds of their land," he said.

"The discussion about classification of deemed forest land has been happening since the time SM Krishna was the chief minister. Now, finally the declassification has happened and 6,64,000 hectares will go to the revenue department. Farmers who have developed areca-nut, coconut or cashew plantations and dwellers who built their houses can get title deeds now," he added.

Katti said forest department officials had submitted an erroneous affidavit to the Supreme Court earlier. But the classified forest area had included farming land and dwelling areas. Proper classification has been done now, he said.

As per the GO, a copy of which was given to the media by the minister's office, 3,30,186.93 hectares of land is deemed forest land of the total 46,32,615 hectares of forest land. It was listed in the affidavit by the forest department, comprising protected and deemed forest.

Explaining the GO and ground reality, a forest department official said, "The cabinet in 2014 had accepted and approved 3.30 lakh ha as deemed forest land. This means that as per the initial affidavit of 1997, of the 10.11 lakh ha, after correcting all anomalies, 3.30 lakh ha is deemed forest." P7

ULFA faction 'executes' 2 members for spying

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Guwahati

THE Paresh Baruah faction of the United Liberation Front of Asom-Independent (ULFA-I), which operates from Myanmar, on Saturday claimed it has 'executed' two of its young cadres for spying for the police.

In a statement issued to media, the banned outfit alleged the duo– Dhanjit Das alias Roopak Asom and Sanjib Sarma alias Rishav Asom – were planted by the Assam police to collect information about the group.

Dhanjit, who hails from Barpeta district of Assam, tried to flee the camp on April 24 but was caught the next day. "During interrogation, he confessed to have coaxed other members to surrender. He was also in contact with some police officers," the statement read.

As for Sanjib who hails from Assam's Kamrup district, the terror outfit claimed he was offered ₹1 crore by some police officers. "He confessed he joined the organisation to get our members murdered by sharing inputs with the enemies after identifying our internal communication system and planting modern equipment," ULFA-I said.

Founded in 1979, the ULFA was banned in 1990. Its top leaders were arrested in Bangladesh in 2009 and handed over to India. After spending months in jail, they were all released. Later, they joined the peace process with the Centre, which is still going on.

However, those supporting Baruah chose to continue the fight. They rechristened the group as ULFA-Independent. According to police sources, the outfit is now left with 100-200 members.

Poverty and hyper-nationalism are the main reasons why youngsters are drawn to the outfit. Baruah has been non-flexible on the demand of Assam's sovereignty. He has stubbornly maintained he would sit across the table only if sovereignty of Assam is on the agenda.

Message for sympathisers: Himanta

Assam Chief Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma said the alleged execution of two youths would be a message for those wanting to join the outfit

A FLEET FOR VET HELP

A priest performs puja on cows on the Vidhana Soudha premises as Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai, along with Union Minister P Rupala and Minister Prabhu Chauhan, unveils 70 mobile veterinary vehicles in Bengaluru | ASHISHKRISHNA HP

JAB-O-METER TAKE YOUR SHOT

May 6 **15,44,728 doses**
May 7 **17,14,800 doses**
TOTAL: 1,90,07,40,500

NATION WIDE	MAY 6	MAY 7	KARNATAKA	MAY 6	MAY 7
Fresh cases	3,545	3,805	Fresh cases	181	171
Recoveries	3,549	3,168	Recoveries	139	121
Deaths	27	22	Deaths	1	0

INTERVIEW

'We have given up on essential idea of God'

In an interview with *The New Sunday Express*, noted theatre director and Gandhian activist Prasanna says building a civil society based on simple living, civility and decency can help to maintain communal harmony in the society. Politics has lost its significance at least for the time being. P4

Cooking gas on fire as prices go past ₹1,000

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

DESPITE the growing concern over high inflation driven by rising fuel prices, State-owned oil marketing companies (OMCs) on Saturday increased the price of 14.2 kg domestic LPG cylinder by another ₹50, pushing the prices above ₹1,000 in many cities.

While a cylinder now costs ₹999.50 each in Delhi and Mumbai — just 50 paise short of the ₹1,000-mark — the prices have crossed that milestone in Chennai and Kolkata at ₹1,015.50 and ₹1,026, respectively. This is the second such hike in 2022. On March 22, LPG price was raised by ₹50. In 2021, the cost of a cylinder went up by ₹205.50.

The latest move also comes barely a week after the 19-kg commercial LPG cylinder price was hiked by ₹102.50 to ₹2,355.50. As if to distribute the pain, the price of a 5-kg LPG commercial cylinder was also increased to ₹655.

Domestic cooking gas prices vary from one state to another due to variation in local taxes.

Nrupathunga varsity flouting UGC land rule, allege students

DONNA EVA @ Bengaluru

NRUPATHUNGA University, which was inaugurated last week by Union Home Minister Amit Shah, has been upgraded despite not meeting the land requirements specified by the University Grants Commission, students alleged.

The Government Science College, Bengaluru, which was bifurcated alongside the Government Arts College, was upgraded to a state university, and named Nrupathunga University, after the the approval of Governor Vajubhai Vala in 2020. The college was upgraded to a unitary university as part of an ordinance amending the Karnataka State Universities Act, 2000.

Karnataka State Higher Education Council Vice-Chairman B Thimmegowda told The New Sunday Express that the college has been upgraded because of its excellence in teaching.

However, students alleged that the university, which was a college earlier, has not adhered to the land requirements of the University Grants Commission (UGC) as well as the state Acts.

"The university has only around 10 acres and most of it is shared with the Government Arts College," students told TNSE.

Following the upgradation, the fee for some of the courses have nearly doubled.

"Also, there is no subsidised fees for SC/STs or girl students. We had complained to the registrar and vice-chancellor, but nothing happened," another student said. P7

Govt Science College, Bengaluru upgraded to state university

Consensus elusive

According to UGC guidelines, universities must possess at least 25 acres of land at its own campus and not across campuses. A UGC official told TNSE that oral complaints had been received on land irregularities by the university.

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Vocal for local: State govt holds job fairs in districts

ASHWINI M SRIPAD @ Bengaluru

TO provide jobs to locals, who stay outside Bengaluru, the Karnataka Skill Development Corporation (KSDC) is conducting mega job fairs in each district. Many big companies, including IT firms, have hired recruits for their centres located in Mysuru and Mangaluru during these jobs fairs.

Over the last few months, the Corporation conducted job fairs in Belagavi, Kalaburagi, Mangaluru, Mysuru and Hassan districts, where 402 companies participated. As per the KSDC data, 30,000 people, including students, took part in these jobs fairs and 10,085 were given offer letters. It is holding the sixth job fair in Ramanagara on May 10 which is expected to be attended by 5,000 job aspirants. An online registration system has been developed where candidates can upload their details along with their resumes.

A senior official said the job fairs are also an attempt to reduce the burden on Bengaluru, where a large number of people land in search of jobs. "Though many companies prefer to hire candidates for their offices in Bengaluru, it is challenging for us to spread the opportunity uniformly across the state. Many candidates from Tier 1 and Tier 2 cities got jobs at their places during these fairs," he added. CONTINUED ON : P4

Trio dupes man of ₹40L promising VA job

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Mangaluru

AS the PSI recruitment scam is raging, a man from Hassan has lodged a complaint with the CEN police station here, accusing three people of taking Rs 40 lakh from him with the promise of getting a job of village accountant for his son. He complained that one of the accused claimed himself to be a CBI officer with high contacts with politicians and bureaucrats.

The complainant, Krishna Gowda, father of Darshan, stated that Nagabhushan from Bengaluru, Narayana Swamy from Vamanjoor in Mangaluru, Mahesh Bhat from Mulki near Mangaluru and Dinesh from Moodbidre took Rs 40 lakh from him.

Darshan and three others -- Hemavathi from Hassan, Lohith from Chikkamagauru and Mohammad Sharif from Bengaluru -- had met at a coaching centre in Bengaluru.

They had applied for the post of village accountant in Bengaluru, Mysuru, Chikkamagaluru and Hassan respectively. Mahesh Bhat used to visit the house of Nirmala Venkataswamy, who is Sharif's neighbour. CONTINUED ON : P4

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• Sunday: 08/05/2022 • Year: Shubhakrutha • Ayana: Uttharayana
• Ritu: Vasantha • Masa: Vaishaka • Paksha: Shukla • Tithi: Sapthami 12.34 pm
• Nakshatra: Pushya 11.09 am • Moon in Mesha Rashi • Rahukaala: 04:30 pm to 06:00 pm
• Gulikakala: 03:00 pm to 04:30 pm • Yamaganda: 12:00 pm to 01:30 pm

WEATHER
MIN 21°C | MAX 33°C
FORECAST
Increasing cloudiness

Sunrise 5.56 am
Sunset 6.36 pm
Moonrise 11.46 pm
Moonset 12.08 am

A QUEEN'S BATTLE ON FILM

A Delhi-based author comes up with a documentary on a fearless queen seen through the prism of maritime history

Rani Abbakka of Ullal, Mangaluru ruled during the 16th century. The thriving small port of Ullal had trade links with the Arabs and Persians.

During her research, Tiya Chatterji derived information primarily from Portuguese and Italian sources and a few in Kannada.

DIVYA CUTINHO @ Mangaluru

IN India's prolonged battle for freedom against the British Raj, history is rife with fearless characters whose contributions have been eulogised, but India, throughout her embattled past, had also fallen in the hands of wicked rulers like the Portuguese. Here, history has been unfair and captured only fragments of their indomitable struggle that was significant in shaping India's history.

In an effort to undo the wrong, Tiya Chatterji, a Delhi-based author, who is at present working with the Indian Navy in its History division as a researcher, has come up with a documentary on Rani Abbakka, who is considered the first woman freedom fighter of India.

Chatterji's approach to record the life of Rani Abbakka is unconventional -- through the prism of maritime history of India, when it was a country of seafarers engaged in lucrative overseas trade which resulted in a cultural amalgamation. With a prodigious body of work, maritime history, especially maritime studies, has, however, failed to garner interest and appreciation.

Tiya came to Mangaluru two years ago to pursue maritime research and started working on the English documentary. She says that heritage in India, both tangible and intangible, are extensive yet the dark clouds of apathy and lack of appreciation threaten their existence.

"A handful of researchers in the maritime domain like myself, cannot be tasked with the preservation of our heritage, and hence, I believe in the power of dissemination of knowledge. Sharing information, based on identifying our target audience can help instill the idea of 'shared heritage' and appreciation which will facilitate preservation via the layperson, a significant stakeholder in safeguarding our heritage," she says.

Initially, she had decided to write a book but later came up with a documentary.

Rather than books about the colossus of history, the public now are enthralled by documentaries based on their lives. From renowned filmmaker Satyajit Ray who had made documentaries on Rabindranath Tagore to 'Summer of Souls' which won an Academy Award this year for shining a light on an epic event that celebrated Black history, culture, and fashion in the summer of 1969, the audio-visual medium of portraying history has become more powerful over the years.

Chatterji's documentary is based on research, oral history and interviews of professors.

Rani Abbakka of Ullal, Mangaluru ruled during the 16th century. The thriving small port of Ullal had trade links with the Arabs and Persians and also a governance that deemed everyone equal. Until now, she was a forgotten hero but the documentary is set to change it. During research, Chatterji derived information primarily from Portuguese and Italian sources and a few in Kannada.

Tiya found scattered references in a few blogs and articles which have muddled versions of Abbakka's story. "All these variables combined with my frequent travels in Dakshina Kannada inspired me to take up this independent research project. However, our existing conventional methods of purely academic books, research papers, and conferences remain exclusive to the scholars and professionals of the domain, and unpopular among the masses. Hence, innovative ways to spread awareness about maritime heritage and history, which not only caters to its preservation but also presents an opportunity for interested students to pursue their careers," she says.

She opines that although commendable regional efforts are undertaken for her commemoration, her story remains largely untold.

"To orient ourselves back to the era of the undaunted queen, I had to navigate through literature, oral traditions, and historical remains, and also interact with scholars to piece together the history of the queen. The idea was to rediscover the history of the brave queen and build the narrative based on oral traditions and historical remains. This will also help in their documentation and preservation. The findings are showcased via a documentary, catering to a wider audience. This is also an attempt to give the queen the place she deserves in our history books. The research aims at highlighting the importance of intangible cultural heritage in reconstructing history since we are always obsessed with tangible history and do not consider oral history as a primary source. It also shows how the biased nature of historical records that relegates small rulers and towns."

The shoot was completed last November and the screening of the 95-minute-long documentary titled 'Rani Abbakka - The Indomitable Spirit of Tulunadu' was organised by Young Indians in Mangaluru on Saturday in the presence of Mangaluru North MLA Bharath Shetty.

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ON A PREVENTIVE MISSION

An accident in 2016 inspired four youngsters from Mysuru to find ways to prevent road accidents and create awareness on road safety

Vivek N, a civil engineer, explains the integrated smart ambulance and pubilc transport system during Traffic Infratech Expo Mumbai | EXPRESS

BK LAKSHMIKANTHA @ Mysuru

A road accident in 2016 changed the lives of four people forever and for good.

Twhe accident, which injured a techie, had not only caused great grief, but also led these four youngsters from Mysuru to launch a startup to find solutions and innovative ways to prevent road accidents. They also visit schools and colleges to create awareness on road safety among students.

Meet Vivek N, Rachan AR, Joel Preeth Menzes and Joseph Wilfred Diaz, founders of the startup – Keroobe Pvt Ltd, and are committed to solve and prevent road accidents and related fatalities.

"A road accident in 2016 changed our destination. Since the four of us are from engineering background, we decided to do our bit for society by finding ways to prevent such accidents," says Vivek, a civil engineer who studied at the Government Engineering College at KR Pet.

They visit accident-prone zones, study the accidents with the assistance of local traffic police and talk to drivers to find out the problems being faced while passing through that stretch. They then analyses and find suitable solutions. They have visited accident-prone areas in Chamarajanagar, Kollegal, in and around Mysuru district, and even in neighbouring Kerala and Tamil Nadu.

So how did it start? "A 28-year-old techie was hit by a bus along a curve in 2016. It was early morning ... No one helped him, instead they were clicking photographs. I, along with two of my friends, shifted the injured person to a nearby hospital. The youngster from Kerala survived,a and that incident motivated me to do what I do now," Vivek says.

Passing out of engineering in 2015, Vivek pursued IAS coaching for one year. After working as a site engineer with a local contractor and at a software company in Mysuru, he finally quit the job to start his own startup.

Vivek, Rachan, Menzes and Diaz all work in different companies and spend their own money to travel and develop designs and products to prevent road accidents. "We have developed safety products like reflective divider belts and reflective propeller traffic signs. Intelligent traffic lights, safety number plate frames for motorcycles and intelligent car seat sliders are being tested," Vivek adds.

"While working in my previous company, I was also working parallely on a smart ambulance project. After making the decision to contribute something to society, I quit my job," he says.

He was joined by Menezes, who is the co-founder of the startup. Menezes worked as a delivery boy for a food delivery app. He is currently pursuing BCom from Karnataka State Open University and also works at a firm in Mysuru. "My mother works in Israel, while my father is in the automobile sector. As I have good language skills, Vivek shares his ideas and concepts and I bring them on paper," Menezes says.

Rachan, who is also from civil engineering background, worked at a private firm in the night to generate money for their products. He has been entrusted with road safety field works, visiting accident zones, and collecting reports. Diaz handles the entire electronics and programming in road safety concepts and related products. From Kochi in Kerala, he is currently working at a private company.

Starting a company was not a cakewalk for these youngsters. The financial constraints made Vivek's mother Bhagya pledge her gold ornaments to help him realise his dream. Even Menezes' mother Suma gave them her commercial office space in Hootagalli for free to set up the startup.

Along with 25 volunteers, they visit schools and colleges in and around Mysuru to educate children about dangers on roads and how to be safer to help prevent accidents.

"We want children to know how to follow traffic rules and keep themselves away from accidents. We also teach them how to help people who are injured and need immediate assistance," Vivek adds.

"Our mission is to prevent road accidents, injuries or deaths. We have also launched a YouTube channel on road safety. Through our volunteers, we visit schools and provide road safety awareness every month," he said.

The team has also designed the Rapid Ambulance Transportation System for which they have the patent.

"We want the governments to use our designs and products to stop road accidents," Vivek adds.

SMART AMBULANCE AND PUBLIC TRANSPORT SYSTEM

Keroobe has the patent for this project. It is based on engineering and medical platforms. It is an elevated system where vehicles are light-weight and compact. The system helps the vehicle reach the hospital or accident spot within the Golden Hour, no matter how dense the traffic is.

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Vivek N

FIGHTING ALONE, SINGLE MOMS BEAT THE ODDS

SHILPA P @ Bengaluru

AHEAD of Mother's Day on Sunday, the latest National Health Survey - 5 conducted between 2019-21 shows that in Karnataka, at least 5 per cent of children live with single mothers although their father is alive, and another 3.6 per cent children live with widowed mothers.

These single mothers say that their kids fulfil their lives amid the challenges and emphasised that it is possible to manage the responsibilities single-handedly.

Anarghya (name changed), a single mother to an 11-year-old daughter said, "My dreams and life were shattered when my husband was found having an affair with his colleague and I divorced him six years ago. My daughter then became my world. With the support of parents, proper planning, work from home option, I was able to achieve a perfect balance between career and looking after my child. And I have been able to take care of her education and health. But with lack of financial back up and the responsibility of a child, I have to work," she said. "After my husband deserted me, I had to leave my child at my sister's home, and later in a hostel since I had nobody at home to take care of her when I went to work at a juice factory. I am contend now that my 26-year-old daughter is a teacher and is married," Nethra (name changed), a single mother, said.

Shwetha, another single mother to a 12-year-old son, said, "After my husband died suddenly due to hypertension and brain hemorrhage, I have able to completely focus on my son since there was a financial backup."

Acid attack survivor, Dr Mahalakshmi YN, said, "I was 30 years old when I battled the acid attack and my daughter, who was four years old, was my ray of hope. With a job, support of parents, besides challenges I faced, I could nourish my daughter well. My daughter has now completed her post-graduation and is trying to clear the civil service exams. Everything is possible by staying strong with a positive attitude," she said.

Behind a self-reliant autistic son is a gutsy mother

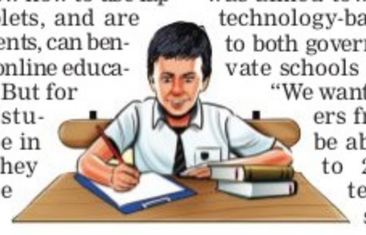
Bengaluru: A former radio jockey, Snigdha, is a single mother to a 25-year-old son, who suffers from autism. She has not only taken care of her son who was diagnosed with Autism 22 years ago, but has also made him self-dependent. Since 2015, 51-year-old Snigdha has launched campaigns to support, guide parents like her in understanding the issue. Her efforts is also aimed at creating awareness among the public to promote acceptance and inclusion of such kids in society. When Nimhans diagnosed her son with autism, she quit her job with the Taj Group, and had to take her son for therapies. However, no schools were ready to enrol him, and she had to send him to a special school by paying at least 30 per cent extra. Amid these impediments, she was battling family issues, and soon became a single mother. She was unable to work full-time but had to do part-time jobs, freelancing to meet her financial needs. Now, her son, who is in a vocational training centre, can manage his basic needs.

Children's edu in rural areas needs focus: Ex-MP

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

FORMER Mandya MP and Chairman of Karnataka Federation Independent Schools Management, Shivarame Gowda said that focus must be given on children's education in the rural areas rather than focusing on digitising in urban areas.

Speaking at the Digi Techno Cognitive Symposium 2022, organised by Empowered Minds Edu Solution, he said that many students in urban areas have access to laptops and phones and understand how they work, however, often children in rural areas are left behind. "The children who know how to use laptops and tablets, and are taught by parents, can benefit from the online education system. But for many poor students or those in rural areas, they do not have WiFi or mobile phones," he said.



The symposium, which was attended by Gowda, MLC Puttanna and filmmaker and environmentalist Suresh Heblikar, was aimed towards bringing technology-based education to both government and private schools in Karnataka.

"We want to train teachers from schools to be able to stand up to 21st century teaching. The schooling I went through abroad nearly 50 years ago has only just reached India," said Dr Latha Murthy, founder and chairwoman of Empowered Minds, an edutech company.

"Education leaders should set a vision to create learning experience that provides the right tools and support for all learners to thrive. However, to realize the benefits of technology fully in our education system, and provide authentic learning experiences," she said.

Woman tries to unplug fridge, dies

PRAVEEN KUMAR @ Bengaluru

A 19-year-old mother to an 11-month-old baby girl died on the spot while her husband sustained injuries in a freak accident.

Latha, a housewife, was cleaning the house holding a pot filled with water in one hand and trying to disconnect the electric connection of the refrigerator. She suddenly fell on the floor and pulled the refrigerator on her. Sunil, her husband, hearing her cry kicked the refrigerator to a side and sustained injuries. Sunil started shouting for help and the neighbours came to their rescue, disconnected the main power supply, suspecting electrocution.

Police suspect that there was some issue with the power supply to the fridge due to frequent power cuts due to rain.

The couple, residents of Bengaluru-Kanakapura Road, were rushed to a nearby hospital where the doctors declared Latha brought dead.

The police have registered a case of unnatural death on Thursday following the complaint filed by Soubhagya, the victim's mother.

"The woman has died of suspected electrocution. The post-mortem report will ascertain the cause of death. While removing the plug of the fridge from the switch board, the victim must have been electrocuted as she was holding a pot of water. The complainant has ruled out any foul play by her son-in-law as they were in a cordial relationship," said an officer, who is part of the investigation. The police are questioning Sunil as he was the key witness.

EXPRESS READ

3 cheat people with fake stock info, held

Bengaluru: The North East CEN police arrested three fraudsters from Siruguppa in Ballari on charges of cheating under the pretext of providing tips to earn more money in the stock market. The accused were operating through a fake firm-Make In Profit. They randomly called people and claimed that they were stock brokers. They would lure the victims by offering tips to make a lot of money if they invest in stocks. The accused are KS Rehamathulla, 29, MC Mallaiahswamy, 29, and C Durgappa, 28.

DURATION OF PANDEMIC	CASES REPORTED	DEATHS	DISCHARGES
2 YEARS, 60 DAYS	■ 171 ◄ 181	■ 0 | ◄ 1	■ 121 | ◄ 139
■ TODAY ◄ YESTERDAY	TALLY: ■ 39,48,635 ◄ 39,48,464	POSITIVITY RATE: ■ 5.98% | ◄ 5.99%	MORTALITY RATE: ■ 1.01% | ◄ 1.01%
	ACTIVE CASES: ■ 1,945 ◄ 1,895		RECOVERY RATE: ■ 98.93% ◄ 98.93%

B'luru Urban: 155	Chamarajanagar: 0	Dharwad: 1	Kolara: 0	Shivamogga: 0
B'luru Rural: 1	Chikkaballapur: 0	Gadag: 0	Koppal: 0	Tumakuru: 0
Bagalkot: 0	Chikkamagaluru: 0	Hassan: 0	Mandya: 0	Udupi: 1
Ballari: 0	Chitradurga: 0	Haveri: 0	Mysuru: 10	U Kannada: 0
Belagavi: 0	D Kannada: 2	Kalaburagi: 0	Raichur: 0	Vijayapura: 0
Bidar: 1	Davanagere: 0	Kodagu: 0	Ramanagara: 0	Yadgir: 0

The fourth wave, big fear of impact on sectors

CHETANA BELAGERE

AS Covid cases were on the decline, life was returning to normal, but suddenly, cases are increasing in the country and in Karnataka, leading to fear and anxiety about the fourth wave among several sectors, which are just about limping back to normal. While the government is insisting that a total lockdown will not be imposed, the uncertainty surrounding coronavirus is the hardest thing to handle.

"We still don't know exactly how we'll be impacted, how long this will last, or how bad things might get. That makes it all too easy to catastrophize and spiral out into overwhelming dread and panic," says Mahesh Gowda, Consultant Psychiatrist, Director, Spandana Hospitals, who sees at least one patient a week who is anxious about the onset of the fourth wave and its impact on business and life.

ANXIETIES BUG MSMEs

One of the biggest sectors to be hit during the earlier Covid waves was Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises (MSMEs). Several shut shop after the second wave, and though the third wave with the Omicron variant did not see a lockdown, many are still struggling to get back to business.

In Shivamogga district alone, 20,300 MSMEs are still on the path to recovery.

Increasing prices of almost every commodity and the government's decision to increase power tariffs have come as a blow to these industries.

Ramesh Hegde, chairman of Machenahalli Industries Association and former council member of KASSIA, says the power tariff increase during the second wave was a severe blow to the ailing industries.

"The fees collected by the pollution control board from MSMEs are enhanced three-fold. On one hand, the board emphasises development of vacant areas by planting saplings that would conserve the environment, while both the Karnataka Industrial Areas Development Board and local bodies impose taxes for vacant lands of industries. How can entrepreneurs address this issue," asks Hegde.

Many MSME entrepreneurs feel the Centre failed to protect the interests of MSMEs unlike in other countries, including the US. They say they were given only "peanuts" as financial help, that too through loans.

"Our huge ESI funds are lying with the Centre, but it failed to grant them to the MSMEs to bounce back," they say.

Hegde says the industry is petrified with the news of fourth wave and if it hits by June as predicted, most MSMEs would collapse.

F&B TREMBLES OVER NEXT WAVE

The food and beverage (F&B) industry, which took a serious beating during the pandemic, is keeping its fingers crossed about a probable fourth wave.

Night curfew, partial lockdown and social distancing are the first mandates that the government resorts to as a precaution against the spread of the pandemic.

"These steps, though required, hurt the F&B industry the most. Our business goes down by 50 per cent with night curfew, and nose dives further when we are asked to operate at 50 per cent occupancy," says Mukesh Tolani, head of Bengaluru chapter, National Restaurants' Association of India, and co-founder of microbrewery 'Toit'. He says the industry has just got back on its feet and has been maintaining all Covid protocols.

"Our staff was vaccinated completely before we were allowed to open at the end of 2021.

It's been a trying time for the industry. Many outlets shut because of lack of business and mounting debts. We were made to pay an excise licence fee, though we were shut," says an owner of a prominent resto-bar.

They say the government should look out for hospitalisation and deaths, and not just an increase in the number of cases or the positivity rate before announcing preventive measures. "A lockdown is unscientific. It kills people's livelihoods. The F&B industry will collapse completely with another lockdown," he adds.

UNCERTAINTY LOOMS OVER EDUCATION

The education sector too is extremely anxious. With the fourth wave expected in June when schools are scheduled to open, it is not just owners of institutions who are worried, but students, parents and teachers too.

While learning took a major beating in the earlier three waves, teachers struggled to make ends meet. Several schools sacked teachers because they could not afford to pay salaries as they failed to convince parents to pay fees — the latter equally hit due to job loss and salary cuts. The introduction of online learning forced many institutions to rehire a few teachers post the Omicron wave.

BIG PICTURE

Uniform vendors to school transport owners are dreading the next wave. "Parents who were planning to buy uniforms feel they must wait. Majority of the schools had restarted business with school buses and vans. But even before the schools started, the talk of the fourth wave has left us worried. If they again shift to online mode, we will be affected drastically. With no earning and support for us, our own kids won't be able to go to school," grieves Praveen Shetty, who is tied to several schools for transport facilities.

Primary and Secondary Education Minister BC Nagesh says mandates have been made with regards to education to make up for loss of learning, including an early start to the next academic year.Guidelines will be issued and they have to be followed, he says. However, many private schools were against the implementation of additional guidelines even during the third wave.

"There is no need to panic and cause disruptions that will put education at stake. If schools close down, it will be disastrous for children, especially since it's proven that they are not super-spreaders and aren't as affected," says D Shashi Kumar, general secretary, Association of Management of Primary and Secondary Schools of Karnataka. He had been a strong proponent for schools remaining open, citing examples of multiple sectors staying open amid the third wave. "When all sectors are closed, only then should schools shut. Schools should not be the first to have restrictions imposed on them," he says.

TRAVEL REGARDLESS

Interestingly, people have changed gears post third wave and are on 'revenge travel' mode, leading to tourism and hospitality industry picking up. Despite the threat, the tourism industry hopes for further revival.

Though the state government delayed lifting the restrictions on the tourism sector, the industry has once again hoped to continue the tempo despite the scare of another wave.

"There are a few dos and don'ts that must be followed by all operators. In terms of cleanliness, quality of food and safety of tourists, they have to abide by every law of a particular tourism zone. Karnataka attracts large numbers of tourists from neighbouring states. The trend continued after a gap of two years," says Umesh GE, owner of Nadimane, who stays in Dandeli.

Dev Balaji, an adventure tour expert, says a large section of the population has received the vaccines and the travel industry may not face recession once again. "Operators have to ensure visitors follow pandemic rules. The negligence that was witnessed during the first two waves must not be repeated," he adds.

AGRI SECTOR

For farmers, the fear of the fourth wave is not making much impact. "When the entire nation was inside homes, farmers worked on the lands," farmer leader Kurburu Shanthakumar says. But there are much bigger issues which farmers are facing. The price of fertilisers has increased, and availability of seeds is a problem. "When we go to the bank, they have many reasons and queries to deny loans to poor farmers. Farmers also face issues like drought and flood. The government has to support us, fourth wave or not," he adds.

BUT WILL THERE BE ANOTHER WAVE?

However, many health experts, including members of Technical Advisory Committee for Covid, state that there may not be a reason to panic and resort to knee-jerk reactions like travel ban or lockdowns during the fourth wave. The onset of the fourth wave itself, experts claim, is in question. A TAC member says, "Once the restrictions were lifted, movies, malls, and travel are back. Didn't we expect an uptick in cases? This bump is expected but what's in question is whether this bump will become a wave," he says.

He argues that only if this mountain arrives there could be a fourth wave and it's early to say that the state will see this. The parameters like reproductive numbers and positivity rates don't function in isolation but with the case trajectory.

Beyond ensuring personal protection, there is nothing much to be done at this point in time. Masking up, vaccinating children and precautionary doses for adults can definitely prevent another wave, experts say.

Inputs from: Bala Chauhan, Ashwini M Sripad, Amit S Upadhye, Ramachandra Gunari & Donna Eva

HEALTH TALK

PHCs seek extension of tenure under BBMP

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
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BRUHAT Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) Chief Commissioner Tushar Girinath on Saturday said many Primary Heath Centres (PHCs) have urged the health department to extend their tenure under BBMP as their term has expired.

Speaking to the media, Girinath said as the health department has apprehensions about the appointment of temporary and contract staff, the BBMP has directed them to deploy permanent staff and hand over the management to the BBMP.

Girinath said that he has also spoken to the health secretary in this regard. The matter will also be discussed with the government and then placed before the cabinet for approval, he said, adding, with Covid-19 cases on the rise, health sector cannot be neglected.

Pertaining to the talks with education department, Girinath said the BBMP has asked the department to give details of the land which they require near educational institutions and the exercise of khata transfer will be done as per legal terms.

Just like government schools, BBMP schools will also re-open on May 16, he added.

Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike
Office of the Executive Engineer, Vijayanagar Division
3rd Main Road, 1st Floor, Shasakara Bhavan, Vijayanagar, Bangalore-560040

No: EE/VJN/AE/TEND/01/2022-23 Dt: 06/05/2022

SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION
(Single Cover) (Through GoK E-Procurement Portal only)

The Executive Engineer (Vijayanagar), BBMP Bangalore invites tenders from eligible contractors registered in Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike or equivalent registration with CPWD/KPWD/Railways/MES or any State Government Organization for the construction of work detailed in the table below. The Tenderers may submit their tender for works given in the table through E-Procurement portal of the Government of Karnataka (viz:https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in). The Tenderers are advised to note the minimum qualification criteria specified in clause-3 of the instructions to tenderers to qualify for award of the contract (standard tender document KW-1 & 2).

Tenders must be accompanied by Earnest Money Deposit specified for the work in the table below. Earnest Money Deposit will have to be in any one of the forms as specified in the tender document and shall have to be valid for 45 days beyond the validity of the tender.

Sl. No.	Name of the Work	Approximate Value of Work (Rs in Lakhs)
1.	Annual Maintenance of borewells and water supply lines in Ward No 122 (2nd Call). **Category :** Others.	20.00 / EMD: Rs.50,000.00
2.	Providing asphalting to 24th Cross 7th A main in Ward No. 122 (2nd Call). **Category :** ST.	20.00 / EMD: Rs.25,000.00
3.	Providing asphalting to roads from 9th main to Sarkari Honi in Ward No. 124 (2nd Call). **Category :** Others.	30.00 / EMD: Rs.60,000.00
4.	Providing asphalting to Hosahalli village in Ward No. 124 (2nd Call). **Category :** Others.	30.00 / EMD: Rs.60,000.00
5.	Providing asphalting to 1st and 2nd main Kasthuribanagar surrounding areas in Ward No. 157 (3rd Call). **Category :** Others.	50.00 / EMD: Rs.1,00,000.00
6.	Providing asphalting to Ranganatha Colony 1st main & surrounding areas in Ward No. 158 (3rd Call). **Category :** Others.	30.00 / EMD: Rs.60,000.00

Cost of tender Form in Rs (Non-Refundable) : As per E-Procurement portal. **Period of completion :** For Sl. No.1-365 days. For Sl. No.2 to 6 - 90 days. **Calendar of Events: (1)** Tender documents may be downloaded from the e-procurement portal of the Government of Karnataka from 12.05.2022. **(2)** Tenders must be submitted online through e-procurement portal on or before 16.00 hours on 23/05/2022 the opening of tenders will be as per the e-procurement portal Guidelines. (3) Financial Bids for Single Cover System will be opened on the website: https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in the office of the Executive Engineer (Vijayanagar) on or after 24-05-2022 at 16.30 hours. Further particulars can be obtained from the above office during working hours on working days or from **website: https://eproc. karnataka.gov.in**

Sd/- Executive Engineer,
Vijayanagar Division, BBMP.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the General Public that my client Smt. Radha Manoj, aged about 45 years R/at #33, 2nd Main, SBM Colony, BSK I Stage, BENGALURU-560 050, has lost Original Sale Deed documents (1) Sale Deed Nos.RRN-1-07331-2020-21 dated 25/02/2021 Registered at Rajarajeshwari Nagar, Bengaluru stored in CK No. RRND753 and (2). SALE DEED No. TVR1-00791-2012-13 dated 23/05/2012 Registered at Tavarekere Sub-Registrar Office, Bengaluru stored in CD No TVRD116 pertaining to site No.217, VP Khatha NO. 1/217, E-Khatha No.150200302403721763, Converted sy. No. 15, formed as per the Layout Plan sanctioned by the Bangalore Metropolitan Regional Development Authority (BMRDA) vide No.MPA/LAO/ 02/2009-10, dated 23/01/2012, formed in Schedule 'A' Property situated at in the Layout known as "VASUDEVA NAGARA" situated at Kurabarapalya Village, Tavarekere Hobli Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore, measuring East to West: 30.0 feet, North to South: 50.0 feet, in all totally measuring 1500 Square feet and bounded as follows : **East by :** Site No.216, **West by :** Site No.218, **North by:** SiteNo.177 **South by:** Road. **FORMED IN Schedule A property i.e. all that piece** and parcel of Converted land bearing Sy No. 15, measuring 05 Acre 06 guntas (+) 02 Guntas 'A' Kharab, totally measuring 05 Acres 08 Guntas, situated at Kurubarapalya village, Tavarekere Hobli, Bangalore south Taluk, Bangalore converted for non agricultural residential purposes, vide Conversion order dated 12/01/2009, vide No. A.L.N(S.T): S.R:130/2008-09, issued by the Special Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, Bangalore and bounded on **East by:** Land in Sy.No.14, **West by:** Land in Sy. NO. 18, **North by :** Land in Sy. No. 16, **South by:** Land in Sy. Nos. 20, 21 and 22. **My client has also lodged a police complaint NO. 0214201/2022 dated 02/05/2022 with the Crime branch, Bangalore City Police.** Any person/s in possession of the aforesaid documents may return OR any one having any sort of claim over the said property may lodge their objections in writing within 7 days from this day to the Undersigned.

S.G. ANANTH BHARADWAJ,
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KERALA WATER AUTHORITY | **e-Tender Notice**

Tender No.: **1st Re-E-Tender No. 1RE36/SE/PHCK/2021-22.** JJM - 2020-21-WSS to VAKATHANAM Panchayath - PACKAGE 3 - Supply, Installation and Commissioning of 2 Nos. of 1600 KVA, 3.3 KV and 1 No. of 63 KVA, 440V Indoor transformers, 2 Nos. of Suitable HP VT pump sets and allied works in 12m dia well cum pump house at Peroor. EMD: **₹2,00,000** (Rupees Two lakhs only)
Tender fee: **₹10,000** + (18% GST - It will be paid by the contractor on reverse charge basis while filing his returns). Last date for submitting tender: **31-05-2022 03:00 pm**
Phone: **0481 2562745.** Website: **www.kwa.kerala.gov.in, www.etenders.kerala.gov.in**
KWA-JB-GL-6-163-2022-23 **Superintending Engineer,** PH Circle, Kottayam

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Government of Karnataka
(Public Works Department)
Office of the Executive Engineer PWD Division Bidar

NO:EE/PWD/Dvn/Bdr/JE-3/SCP-A/2022-23/302 Date: 28.04.2022

INVITATION FOR SHORT TERM TENDERS

On behalf of Governor of Karnataka, The Executive Engineer, PWD Divn Bidar invites Tenders from eligible Tenderers for the works i.e. WORK INDENT NO. **KPWD/2021-22/RD/WORK_INDENT151334, 151236, 151237, & KPWD/2022-23/BD/WORK_INDENT 151620 Amount** for the works is Minimum **Rs. 44.21 Lakhs. and Maximum Rs. 441.83 Lakhs.** Tender documents may be downloaded from the public-procurement portal of the Govt. of Karnataka Viz. **http://eproc.karnataka.gov.in**

Tenders must be submitted through e-procurement portal on or **before 16.00 hours up to dt: 09.05.2022** Tenders will be opened on dt 10.05.2022 Further any other information can be seen from the e-procurement portal or can be had from the undersigned.

Sd/-
(Ashok Khandre)
Executive Engineer,
PWD Division Bidar.

Zilla Panchayat, Chikkaballapura
Executive Engineer, Panchayat Raj Engineering Division, Chikkaballapura

e-Procurement Tender Notification
No.: 2/2022-23 Date: 04.05.2022
(Applications Invited for Tenders subject to Standard Tender document KW – I Rules.)

On behalf of the Governor of Karnataka Itemwar Tender is invited through e-procurement in Single Cover System as per Karnataka Transparency in Public Procurement Act 2000 for below mentioned works in the limits of Chikkaballapura division from authorized Contractors enrolled in appropriate class in PWD. Application for e-procurement documents should be submitted in Department website **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in**
(1) Last date for submitting application through e-procurement and submitting filled schedule-B in website: **04.06.2022 up to 16.30 hours. (2)** Date of opening Technical Bid: **06.06.2022 after 16.35 hours. (3)** Application Fee (Non-returnable): As per e-procurement Rules.

Sd/- Executive Engineer,
P. R.E. Division, Chikkaballapura
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No. KSLU/DPAR/2022-23/0297(A) Date: 07-05-2022

NOTIFICATION FOR APPOINTMENT OF GUEST FACULTY

Applications are invited for appointment of guest Faculty for Even Semester for the Academic Year 2021-22 for the Law School of Karnataka State Law University, Navanagar, Hubballi.

Guest Faculty:

Sl. No.	Subjects	Faculty Required	Qualification & Experience
1	Law	11	A good academic record with at least 55% marks at Masters Degree level preferably with NET/SLET/SET/Ph.D. (in accordance with the UGC Regulations 2018)
2	Political Science - II	01	
3	Economics - I & II	01	
4	Production & Operation Management International Business	01	
5	Sociology - I	01	
6	Marketing Management	01	
7	Psychology (Sociology - III)	01	

PAYMENT:
•UGC Qualified Guest Faculty (NET/SLET/SET/Ph.D)-**Rs. 525/-** per hour
•Non UGC Qualified Guest Faculty (only LL.M. with 55%) - **Rs.450/-** per hour
•Retired Teacher / Practicing Advocates- **Rs.525/-**per hour
•Local Conveyance per day **Rs. 150/-**

Interested Candidates are informed to submit their Applications along with Curriculum Vitae to the undersigned on or before **16-05-2022.** The Candidates have to appear for an interview before the Selection Commitee at **10.30 am on 18-05-2022**. The Candidates are advised to come with preparation for a demonstration lecture of **20 minutes**. They have to submit sttested copies of their documents and produce the original for verification before the interview to the Office at 10.00am.
Applications can be emailed to : **kslu.registrar@gmail.com or**
Application can be sent through post at:
The Registrar, Karnataka State Law University Navanagar, Hubballi-580025

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PUBLIC AUCTION SALE NOTICE

Smt. Gowramma

Sale of Immovable Property Mortgaged to Bank Under Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002.
(No 54 of 2002) -- SARFAESI ACT

Whereas **Smt.Gowramma W/o.Muniyalappa.S,** Residing at No.406, 4th Cross, Aswath Nagar, Marathahalli Colony, Marathahalli, Bangalore-560037, has borrowed monies from SreenidhiSouhardaSahakari Bank Niyamitha, Marathahalli Branch, #95/3,Kote N.C.P.R Tower Building,Outer Ring Road,Opp. Jeevika Hospital,Doddanekundi, Bangalore – 560037 and she owe a sum of **Rs.24,35,924/- (Rupees Twenty Four Lakhs Thirty Five Thousand Nine Hundred and Twenty Five)** and **Rs.17,70,608/-(Rupees Seventeen Lakhs Seventy Thousand Six Hundred and Eight Only) with further interest @ 16% and @14% as on 07/05/2022 and costs.**

Whereas the Authorised Officer of the Bank has issued notice under Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and thereafter has taken possession of the propertyowned by Smt.Gowramma W/o. Muniyalappa.S, Residing at No.406, 4th Cross, Aswath Nagar, Marathahalli Colony, Marathahalli, Bangalore-560037, mortgaged to the Bankand has decided to sell the property, described in Schedule "A" herein below, on 'AS IS WHERE IS BASIS' under rules 8 & 9 of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

DETAILS OF SALE: Place of Auction: Sreenidhi Souharda Sahakari Bank Niyamitha, #113, R.V.Road, V.V. Puram, Bangalore-560004. Date/Day & time of auction: 08/06/2022 (Wednesday) At 11:00 AM.

DESCRIPTION OF THE SCHEDULE PROPERTY: All that piece and parcel of the immovable Property bearing Site No. 406, Ward No.86, Old CMC No.385, New BBMP Khatha No.900, situated at Aswathnagar Layout, Munnekolalu, Varthur Hobli, Measuring East to West: 33ft and North to South: 41ft in all measuring 1353 Square Feet bounded on the East By:-Site No.407, West By:-House of Smt.Kaveramma, North By:-Site No.413 and South By:-Road

Reserve Price: Rs.1,52,00,000/- (Rupees One Crore Fifty Two lakhs Only)

Terms & Conditions of Auction: 1) For participating in the auction, the intending bidders have to deposit 10% of reserve price of the property by Bankers cheque/Demand Draft favouring the Authorised Officer, Sreenidhi Souharda Sahakari Bank Niyamitha, Payable at Bangalore which is refundable, if the bid is not successful. 2) The successful bidder shall deposit 25% of the bid amount immediately on the sale being knocked down in his favour and the balance within 15 days. Payment to be made only in the form of cash or bankers cheque/ DD drawn in favour of the Authorised Officer, Sreenidhi Souharda Sahakari Bank Niyamitha. 3) Incase the successful bidder fails to deposit 25% of bid amount immediately on the sale being knocked down in his favour and the balance amount within 15 days, the entire deposit made by the bidder shall be forfeited by the Authorised Officer without any notice. 4) The successful bidder would bear the charges/fees payable for conveyance such as Stamp duty, Registration fee etc., as applicable as per law. 5) The Authorised officer will not be held responsible for any charge, lien, encumbrance, property tax or any other dues to the Govt. or anybody in respect of the property under sale. 6) The Authorised Officer has the absolute right to accept or reject the bid or adjourn/ postpone the auction without assigning any reason therefore. 7) The sale is subject to confirmation by the Bank. 8) The auction of the property will be made as per the above order or at the discretion of the Authorised Officer. 9) For inspection of property, the intending bidders may contact, Sreenidhi Souharda Sahakari Bank Niyamitha, **Marathahalli Branch,** #95/3, Kote N.C.P.R Tower Building, Outer Ring Road, Opp. Jeevika Hospital, Doddanekundi, Bangalore-560037 during the office hours or may contact at telephone **No.080-25401160/161/ 8496005000.**

Date: 07.05.2022 **Sd/- Authorised Officer**
Place: Bangalore **Sreenidhi Souharda Sahakari Bank Niyamitha**

Reacting to BJP MLA Yatnal's remarks, CM's political secretary MP Renukacharya on Saturday said that such statements in an election year will damage the party's image in public and senior seasoned leaders like him should stop airing such statements

Pramod Madhwaraj, Sandesh Nagaraj, Varthur Prakash to give boost to party prospects

PROMINENT CONG, JDS LEADERS JOIN BJP

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Bengaluru

AHEAD of the 2023 Assembly elections, a few Congress and JDS leaders joined BJP on Saturday, indicating that political polarisation has started in the state. Prominent among them were former minister Pramod Madhwaraj of Congress and Sandesh Nagaraj of JDS.

In tow were former minister Varthur Prakash of Kolar, former Maluru MLA Manjunatha Gowda, whose inclusion was opposed by local BJP leaders, former Indian Revenue Service officer Dr Lakshmi Ashwingowda, who was reportedly disillusioned when she missed the JDS party ticket to Nikhil Kumaraswamy during the 2019 Lok Sabha polls from Mandya, former Rajya Sabha members KV Krishnamurthy and Ashoka Jayarama.

Welcoming them, Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai said the BJP wave has started in the Old Mysuru region, which JDS and Congress claim to be in their grip. "Youngsters are anxious for a change in the region which has its own identity of political maturity," he added.

He said BJP, under the leadership of PM Narendra Modi, will provide an equal opportunity to all without appeasing any one section of people. He claimed that many leaders from opposition parties had approached him and expressed interest in joining the party after BJP won Assembly elections in four states. "I advised them to wait and told them that they will be inducted at the right time. Opposition leaders are already fighting for the chief minister's post, while others have distributed portfolios among themselves," Bommai ridiculed.

"It is just the beginning as both Union Home Minister Amit Shah and party national general secretary Arun Singh, who had come to the state, have laid out a poll strategy. When rival parties are still confused, BJP has already started the poll campaign," said Revenue Minister R Ashoka.

He said all the leaders who joined on Saturday have done so unconditionally and they have been cleared by Bommai, Arun Singh and party state president Nalin Kumar Kateel. The party has identified a few more leaders to join the party, he added.

"In the first phase, leaders from Old Mysuru and Udupi regions have been inducted. Next, leaders from other regions will be included. Soon, it will be a 'BJP Parva' in the state," he commented.

The event was attended by Kateel, Ministers ST Somashekar, Munirathna, Narayana Gowda, Dr Sudhakar and K Gopalaiah, Kolar MP Muniaswamy, and others.

Leaders of Congress and Janata Dal (Secular), who joined the BJP, pose with Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai and ministers, in Bengaluru on Saturday

I regret to inform you (KPCC president) that since the last three years the situation in the Udupi district Congress has been a bad experience for me thus leading to political suffocation

Pramod Madhwaraj, former minister

Pramod quits Congress, says felt suffocated

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Udupi

IN a major setback to the Congress in Karnataka, former minister and KPCC vice-president Pramod Madhwaraj resigned from the party's primary membership saying there was 'political suffocation'. Within hours, Madhwarj joined the BJP in the presence of party state chief and Dakshina Kannada MP Nalin Kumar Kateel and Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai in Bengaluru.

Madhwaraj was recently appointed as the new vice-president of the Congress unit in Karnataka.

In a resignation letter e-mailed to KPCC president D K Shivakumar, Madhwaraj blamed 'suffocating situation' in Udupi district congress unit for his decision to quit the Congress. Speculation was rife for the last several months that he will quit Congress and join BJP after he stayed away from Congress events. A few days ago, he had met Bommai during the latter's visit to Udupi.

In the resignation letter, Pramod stated he has decided not to accept the post of vice president of KPCC. "I regret to inform you that since the last three years the situation in the Udupi district Congress has been a bad experience for me thus leading to political suffocation and the facts of which have been brought to your kind notice. I have observed that no worthwhile steps have been taken by the party to redress my grievances. I have reached a point wherein it is becoming impossible for me to continue in the Congress and to do justice to the new post that has been assigned to me recently. Hence I have decided not to accept the post of vice president of KPCC," Madhwaraj said in the letter to Shivakumar.

Madhwaraj had served as the minister of Fisheries, Youth Empowerment and Sports in the Siddaramaiah government.

He had contested the 2019 Lok Sabha polls on a JDS ticket under the seat-sharing arrangement with Congress and was defeated by BJP's Shobha Karandlaje.

YEDIYURAPPA HINTS AT CABINET REVAMP IN THREE DAYS

Former Chief Minister BS Yediyurappa on Saturday hinted that the Bommai Cabinet will be rejigged in the next three days (May 10). He told the media that the BJP high command will take a decision whether go for a Cabinet expansion or a reshuffle.

SUNDAY INTERVIEW

'Reactionary politics is because we have given up on essential idea of God'

RAMU PATIL

NOTED theatre director and Gandhian **Prasanna** says building a civil society based on simple living, civility and decency can help maintain communal harmony in society. Politics has lost its significance at least for the time being, he says.

What is the reason behind divisive elements raising their head now?
The word reaction is often used politically. The reaction is fundamental and whenever there is an extreme situation, there is an extreme reaction. We are going through extreme modernism and the age of automation. It has become exactly like the magical world of Ravana. We don't want to get out of extreme modernism as we feel it is comfortable and it has brought us enormous wealth, and there is a reaction set in every human being. This reaction has nothing to do with the intellect, but with the internal self. So, they are reacting desperately and this is what is creating reactionary politics. The tragedy is that it has gone to another extreme, the extreme tradition, which is mere symbolism. The only way out of this is to realise God in his or her true sense, which is simple living, taking care of the community and the poor. All of us have given up on the essential idea of God and gone into reactionary politics or culture. That is the reason why divisive elements are raising their heads. When you are panicking you become divisive and never trust others and for all your ills.

How important is youth to tackle this problem?
Youth can do a lot and probably will do. I have a lot of confidence in the youth. Don't forget it was the youth which has always led great movements. Unfortunately, people who created all this mess do not want to trust young people.

How can civil society play a more effective role in protecting the country from communal elements?
Those people in civil society, who believe in simple living should start propagating that idea and not sit quietly. There is a silly notion that rich people are civilised and poor uncivilised. Every poor person is living a decent life with much less income and they teach us about simple living.

Does theatre continue to play an effective role in this as it did before?
We have to differentiate between the handmade theatre or real theatre and the virtual theatre. People think of serials, cinema and the internet also as theatre. The real theatre is handmade and we theatre people are cousins of poor people, weavers, cobblers and others. Theatre is a great educator. Unfortunately, we look at theatre only as a performance and something to go and see by buying a ticket. If we look at theatre just as something to be brought, then it can never match television and cinema. As a buyable product, television and cinema are far superior as they would have spent crores of rupees. So, the beauty of theatre lies in the process itself and being part of the community. It strengthens the community as men work with women, Muslims work with Christians and there is no question of not liking them. Theatre is a great educator in community building, simple living and hard work. Theatre groups should become small, merge with the community and spread the message within the community.

What about social media? It is portrayed as a tool for freedom of expression, but is being misused to spread hate.
Anything you create is used by good and bad elements. Social media is used more effectively by the bad elements than by the good elements.

How important is history in promoting communal harmony, especially at a time when the ruling dispensation is accused of pushing for changes in the historical narrative of the country to suit ideological ends?
History is as important as any other science subject, but it cannot replace mythology. Mythology is built through memory and memory is what builds culture and beings. In the name of mythology, people are misusing history. If you go by mythology, Rama is a metaphor. That metaphor is very clear and it can never go against Babar. Rama becomes relevant inside the community, but you cannot use Rama to attack Muslims. If you have done that, maybe it looks like you have succeeded for a while, but eventually, it will backfire. I am not saying this as a defence of Muslims. I know a section of Muslims is into excessive culturalism and that is bad. I respect AB Vajpayee for his great statement on 'Raj Dharma' to take care of everyone in the community equally.

Which factors can benefit in promoting communal harmony among different communities?
Building a civil society based on simple living, civility and decency can save the situation. No politics can save the situation as all political parties come for short intervals and they start accusing each other. Politics has lost its importance at least for the time being.

SILVERLINING

'Covid-hopes' mini job fairs in all districts

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MINISTER for IT-BT and Skill Development Dr CN Ashwath Narayan is keen to organise these job fairs. Some of the major companies that took part in the fairs includes IBM, TCS, Reliance Retail, Abhimo Technologies (Mangaluru), Bright Solution, Karanji Infotech (Mangaluru), Randstad, Saltsnap Media, Winman Software, Kodnest Technologies, iLenSys Technologies and more.

The department also conducted mini-job fairs, where they focussed on self-employment for those who lost jobs during the pandemic. Ashwin Gowda, Managing Director of KSDC, told *The New Sunday Express* that they organised "Covid-hopes'' mini job fairs in all districts.

JOBS GIVEN DURING FAIRS

Districts	No. of Companies	Candidates selected
Belagavi	81	1,160
Kalaburagi	83	2,538
Mangaluru	84	2,780
Mysuru	92	1,171
Hassan	62	409

A day after bribe bomb, Yatnal says he is ready to face disciplinary committee

ENS @Vijayapura

A DAY after stirring a political row by saying that he was given the offer of being made Karnataka Chief Minister if he could cough up Rs 2,500 crore, senior BJP legislator Basanagouda Patil Yatnal on Saturday said that he would reply to all the queries of the BJP disciplinary committee if they called him for an inquiry. This comes after a section of BJP leaders in the state demanded disciplinary action against Yatnal. "If they serve me a notice this time, I will reply and also appear before the disciplinary committee, if the situation demands," Yatnal, who is MLA for Vijayapura City, said.

Yatnal claimed that BJP state chief Nalin Kumar Kateel had made it clear that he had not targeted the party by his statement. "It was a general statement. Rumours of the party taking disciplinary action against me is all a hype created by the media," he fumed.

He also claimed that his statement was twisted intentionally as a Cabinet rejig was around the corner. "Few people don't want me to see in the cabinet because they are living in fear that if I become a minister I would bring bulldozers to silence them," he added.

"Many people have approached me via WhatsApp claiming that they have a good bonding with PM Modi, Congress leader Sonia Gandhi and JDS supremo H D Deve Gowda. They claimed that if I arrange the required money, they would refer my name for the CM's post. I took them to task. I did not say the high command demanded money," he added. Yatnal said KPCC president DK Shivakumar fears that his political career will end if he becomes the CM.

Siddu wants probe

Belagavi: Congress Legislature party leader Siddaramaiah on Saturday demanded a probe into senior BPJ MLA Basanagouda Patil Yatnal's claims on demand for Rs 2,500 crore for the CM's post. The former CM also taunted Basavaraj Bommai and BS Yediyurappa asking them how much they paid to become the CM. "A probe headed by a serving judge should be ordered to bring out the truth... the source of money generated should also be probed immediately," Siddaramaiah said, calling the Bommai government the most corrupt.

Yatnal out of Araga's radar

Tumakuur: Home Minister Araga Jnanendra said that he has been trying to contact Yatnal but has failed to reach him. "I do not know the context of his statement. But the party functionaries are likely to take action against him if he had targeted the BJP as it is embarrassing," he said. Regarding the PSI scam, he suggested that the meritorious students who had cleared the exam in their previous attempt must gather courage and appear for it again. "Age is no bar for those 54,000 candidates who had written the examination earlier and can write the re-exam," he said.

Shivakumar seeks action against Yatnal

Bengaluru: Reiterating his demand for a thorough probe into BJP MLA Basanagouda Patil Yatnal's claims, KPCC president D K Shivakumar has said it depends on CM Bommai to come clean on this issue and save his party's image. He also sought for immediate detention of Yatnal. Shivakumar said, "The allegation has been made by their own party member. So, the BJP as well as the government is accountable for it. Initiating action on the allegation would also show the political commitment of the CM."

Disciplinary panel will take action: Kateel

TUMAKURU :Karnataka BJP president Nalin Kumar Kateel here on Saturday informed that the BJP Central Disciplinary Committee has been briefed about Yatnal's statement. "Action will be taken against Yatnal after we get any instruction from top brass", he said. He said a notice will be served to Yatnal before initiating action.

PSI SCAM

DySP remanded to CID custody for 7 days

RAMKRISHNA BADSESHI
@ Kalaburagi

A LOCAL court here on Saturday remanded a Deputy Superintendent of Police (DySP) rank officer, arrested in the PSI-CET scam, to CID custody for seven days. The accused, Vaijinath Revoor, who was remanded to CID custody by the 3rd Additional JMFC Court of Kalaburagi, was serving as the Assistant Commandant of KSRP in Kalaburagi.

The CID sleuths who took Revoor into their custody on Friday evening, produced him before the JMFC court on Saturday. With the arrest of Revoor, it has become clear that the Government Polytechnic of Kalaburagi, which was also the exam centre of PSI-CET has come under the scanner of CID probe. It is the third exam centre of PSI-CET coming under the CID probe after Jnana Jyoti English Medium School and MSI Degree College. Revoor was posted as the custodian of Government Polytechnic Exam Centre for PSI-CET and he allegedly allowed the room supervisors to submit the OMR sheets after 35 minutes of the exams, though it is mandatory on the part of room supervisors to submit the answer papers immediately to the centre's custodian. This allegedly led to manipulation of answer sheets.

Revoor is the second DySP rank officer who is in CID custody, the first being Lingsugur DySP in Raichur district Mallikarjun Sali.

Meanwhile, the government has suspended Sali and Police Inspector of Finger Print Bureau of Kalaburagi Anand Metre from service with immediate effect from Friday on charges of dereliction of duty, negligence and irresponsibility. The CID has already arrested Sali and Metre who are in their custody.

The government has also suspended DySP of Finger Print Bureau of Kalaburagi and Police Inspector of Women Police Station of Kalaburagi Dileep Sagar.

CID asks accused to recall answers to paper orally

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

THE Criminal Investigation Department (CID) officials probing the PSI-CET scam have used a rather unusual way of interrogating the accused.

According to a senior officer from the CID, some of the accused who were on the toppers' list, were asked to answer some of the questions from the PSI-CET orally and none of the accused gave the right answer even to a single question.

The officials video-recorded the interrogation as part of the investigation to prove that those who have been arrested so far were involved in the scam and based on their statements the movements of other accused who helped them during exams were being tracked, he said.

A day after their arrest, some accused had revealed that they used Bluetooth devices while writing the exam.

However, the official said that it was too early to conclude that the the aspirants gave money to ministers or higher officials directly, adding that the gadgets used by the accused were being examined closely. The involvement of middlemen was also being probed.

"We have also obtained CCTV footage from the examination centres to track the movements of the officials and evaluators who allegedly leaked the question paper two hours before the exams", the official added.

CM Bommai at an event in Bengaluru on Saturday

Furnish proof: CM to Oppn

Bengaluru: CM Basavaraj Bommai on Saturday said those issuing statements in connection with the PSI scam are responsible for what they say, and it is their duty to furnish documents and other evidence. "Let them make any statement... but they should provide evidence or documents so that the allegations can be looked into," Bommai said. Congress leaders Siddaramaiah, DK Shivakumar and Priyank Kharge have been accusing minister Dr CN Ashwath Narayan of being involved in the scam. JDS leader Kumaraswamy had said the government would collapse after exposing the name of the kingpin in the scam. ENS

An accused claimed he was a CBI officer: Plaint

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WHEN Sharif told Bhat that he and his friends have applied for a VA job, the latter claimed that he knows a 'CBI officer' named Narayanaswamy, who has high contacts with top officials and politicians and he would help him get the job.

In 2019, the four VA aspirants visited the house of Bhat in Mulki and met Narayanaswamy, who asked them to pay Rs 40 lakh each. Narayanaswamy told them that he would get the job done through Nagabhushan and Dinesh. Darshan paid Rs 8 lakh in 2019 and then Rs 32 lakh after he was shown a fake appointment letter which he believed to be true. However, after sometime, Darshan realised that it was a fake appointment letter and demanded the accused for the original appointment letter. Then the accused threatened to kill them. The accused have been booked under various IPC sections, including 420 (cheating) and 465 (forgery).

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Case No. O.A. No. 362/2019

BETWEEN:
UNION BANK OF INDIA
.....Applicant

AND
Bhuvan Kuamar.V And Another
.....Defendant

SUMMONS/NOTICE TO DEFENDANTS UNDER RULE 23 (viii) OF DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL (PROCEDURE) RULES, 1993, BY WAY OF PAPER PUBLICATION

To.
1. Bhuvan Kuamar V S/o Vadivel.
Aged about 40 Years, R/at No.13/1W, 13, 1st Floor, Manoj Compound, Anjaneya Temple Street, Bommanahalli, Bangalore-560068.
2. Smt. Padmavathi. W/o. Vadivel.
Both are residing at No.13/1W, 13,1st Floor, Manoj Compound, Anjaneya Temple Street, Bommanahalli, Bangalore-560068.

Whereas, the applicant has instituted an application/interlocutory application under section 19 of the Recovery of Debts Due to Banks and Financial Institution Act, 1993 against the defendants for recovery of a sum of **Rs.40,98,717/- (Rupees Forty Lakhs Ninety Eight Thousand Seven Hundred Seventeen Only)** together with current and future interest and for other relief.

Take notice that you are hereby required appearing before this Tribunal to show cause on **28.06.2022 at 10.30 A.M.** in person or by a Pleader/Advocate duly instructed as to why the relief prayed for should not be granted. Take notice of interim relief sought.

Take notice that in case of default the application/interlocutory application will be heard and determined in your absence.

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MEGA E-AUCTION
NOTICE OF SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES ON 10.06.2022

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8(6) / Rule 9 (1) of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property/ies mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the **Constructive/Actual/Physical Possession** of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer (details mentioned below), will be sold on **"As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" basis on 10.06.2022** at the below mentioned timings for recovery of dues with further interest and cost thereon due to the **Karnataka Bank Ltd.**

The details are as under: Reserve Price and Earnest Money Deposits details are as under & the Earnest Money Deposit shall be deposited on or before **09.06.2022 at 4.00 pm** through online payment to the Account No. details of which are given below or by way of DD favouring **Karnataka Bank Ltd.**

Sl. No.	Name of the Borrowers/Mortgagors/Guarantors and Loan Account No.	Balance O/S Rs. Future Interest From + Costs	Possession Date Possession Type	Description of the Property/ies	Reserve Price (Rs.)	Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) Rs.	Auction Time	Incremental Value of the Bid	Branch Name & Account Details for Remitting EMD/ IFSC Code
1	**(1) Mr. Doddarangaiah,** S/o Mr. Rangaiah, **(2) Mrs. Lalitha K.T@ Lalithamma K.T,** W/o Mr. Doddarangaiah, **(3) Mr. Thejesh D,** W/o Mr. Doddarangaiah, **All are addressed at :** No.1357, 3rd Cross, MRHB Colony, Basaveshwarnagar, Bengaluru – 560079 **Loan A/c No: PSOD A/c No.1047000601217501**	**Rs. 1,09,56,135.72** **01.05.2022**	**15.03.2022** **Constructive**	All that part and parcel of the **immovable property bearing Municipal New No.9, Old No.950, PID No.36-66-9, measuring 1092 Sq.ft [East to West-42 feet, North to South-26 feet]**, with Residential Building constructed thereon [GF+FF+SF], totally measuring 2400 Sq.ft as per actual, situated at 2nd Main, MRCR, Govindarajanagar, Vijaynagar, Bengaluru belonging to **Mrs.Lalitha K.T @Lalithamma K.T. Boundaries of the property as per Deed/Actual: East** : Site No.951 / 3 floor Residential Building, **West :** Site No.949 / 2 floor Residential Building, **North :** 2nd Main Road / 2nd Main Road, **South :** Site No.933 / Residential Building.	**Rs. 1,26,25,000/-**	**Rs. 12,62,500/-**	**1.45 P.M to 2.05 P.M**	**Rs. 50,000/-**	**Karnataka Bank Ltd Branch: Bengaluru-Basaveshwarnagar A/c No: 1043500200004101 IFSC: KARB0000104**
2	**(1) Mr. Gajendra M,** S/o Mr. Muniswamy Muniraju, **(2)Mrs. Sumithra,** W/o Mr. Gajendra M, **Both are addressed at :** No.520, 5th Cross, Mahalakshmi Layout, Rajajinagar, Bengaluru – 560010, **Both also at :** No.23, 52nd Cross, 4th Block, Near Sri Ram Mandira, Rajajinagar, Bengaluru – 560010. **Loan A/c No: TL A/c No.0547001600180501**	**Rs. 82,51,424.14** **04.05.2022**	**03.03.2022** **Constructive**	All that part and parcel of **Residential property bearing Municipal No.23 (Old No.289), Property ID No.22-17-23, measuring 1000 Sq.ft,** with building constructed thereon [GF+FF+SF], situated at 52nd Cross, 4th Block, Near Sri Rama Mandira, Rajajinagar, Bengaluru, belonging to **Mr. Gajendra M. Boundaries of property as per Document: East** : Property No.288, **West :** Property No.290, **North :** Road, **South :** Property No.244.	**Rs. 1,17,65,000/-**	**Rs. 11,76,500/-**	**12.45 P.M to 1.05 P.M**	**Rs. 50,000/-**	**Karnataka Bank Ltd Branch: Bengaluru – Industrial Finance A/c No: 0543500200004101 IFSC: KARB0000054**
3	**(1) Mr. K.N Ramesh,** S/o Mr. Ninge Gowda, **(2)Mrs. Nagarathna,** W/o Mr. K.N. Ramesh, **Both are addressed at :** No.172, 4th Main, 8th Cross, RHCS Layout, Annapoorneshwari Nagar, Nagarabavi, Bengaluru-560091. **Loan A/c No: PSOD A/c No.9217000600000401**	**Rs. 35,16,569.12** **01.05.2022**	**15.03.2022** **Actual**	All that part and parcel of **Residential Vacant Site bearing No.174, admeasuring 1600 sqft (East to West–40ft, North to South–40ft), present BBMP Khata No.174/157/174, formed in Survey No's. 38(P), 39(P) and 40(P)** in the layout formed by the Rajajinagar Housing Co-operative Society Ltd. situated at Srigandhadakavalu Village, Yeshwanthapura Hobli, Bengaluru North Taluk, Bengaluru, belonging to **Mr. K.N.Ramesh. Boundaries of Property as per Deed/Actual: East by:** Road / 4th Main Road, **West by:** Site No.173 / Vacant Plot, **North by:** Site No.175 / No.175, 4th Floor Residential Building, **South by:** Road/Road.	**Rs. 1,41,40,000/-**	**Rs. 14,14,000/-**	**2.15 P.M to 2.35 P.M**	**Rs. 50,000/-**	**Karnataka Bank Ltd Branch: Bengaluru – Nagarabavi A/c No: 9213500200004101 IFSC: KARB0000921**
4	**(1) Mr. Lakshminarasimhaiah,** S/o Mr. Doddanarasimhaiah **(2) Mrs.Bhagya,** W/o Mr. Lakshminarasimhaiah, **Both are addressed at :** No.305, Bellad Embassy, Behind Church, KS Town, Bengaluru-560060, **Both also at :** i) #442, 3rd Cross, B.E.L School Road, BEML 3rd Stage, RR Nagar, Bengaluru-560098, ii) Flat No.801, 8th Floor, 'Pristine Vara', Municipal No.123, Infantry Road, Vasanthnagar Ward No.78, Bengaluru-560001 **Loan A/c No: TL A/c No.9267001600015501**	**Rs. 5,63,52,030.03** **05.04.2022**	**24.03.2022** **Physical**	All that part and parcel of **Residential Flat No.801, comprising of 3 BHK, in 8th floor of 'Pristine Vara' having Super built up area 2,500 Sq.ft and Carpet area measuring 1561 Sq.ft, along with 450 Sq.ft** of undivided share, right, title, interest and ownership in land, and one covered car parking space in basement, and right to use common areas such as passages, lobbies, lifts, staircases and other areas of common usage, constructed on land bearing **Municipal No.123, situated at Infantry Road, Municipal Ward No.78** of Vasanthanagar, Bengaluru, belonging to **Mr. Lakshmi-narasimhaiah & Mrs. Bhagya. Boundaries of property as per Deed : East :** Road, **West :** Private Property, **North :** Infantry Road, **South :** Private Property. **Boundaries of Flat as per Deed : East :** Private Property, **West :** Private Property, **North :** Road, **South :** Flat No.802.	**Rs. 4,04,00,000/-**	**Rs. 40,40,000/-**	**1.15 P.M to 1.35 P.M**	**Rs. 50,000/-**	**Karnataka Bank Ltd Branch: Bengaluru-Peenya A/c No: 9263500200004101 IFSC: KARB0000926**
5	**(1) M/s Mahalakshmi Enterprises, A partnership firm, Represented by its Partners – I) Mrs. Madhumathi M Herur, ii) Mrs. Pooja C Halagannanavar, Addressed at :** No.143/16, Ground Floor, 4th Main, Rajajinagar Industrial Town, Near WOC Rajajinagar, Bengaluru – 560010, **(2) Mrs. Madhumathi M Herur,** W/o Mr. Murugarajendra V Herur, **Addressed at :** No.32/8, Raksha Paradise, 2nd Floor, WOC Road, Opposite Trinite Maruthi Service Centre, Bengaluru Urban, Bengaluru-560010, **(3) Mrs. Pooja C Halagannanavar,** W/o Mr. Channabasappa S Halagannanavar, **Addressed at :** Flat No.302, Rathod Land Mark, 25/3, 1st Stage, Industrial Sub-urb, Yeshwanthpur, Bengaluru Urban, Bengaluru-560022, **(4) Mr. Murugarajendra V Herur,** S/o Mr. Veeranna M Herur, **Addressed at :** No.32/8, Raksha Paradise, 2nd Floor, WOC Road, Opposite Trinite Maruthi Service Centre, Bengaluru Urban, Bengaluru-560010, **5) Mr. Channabasappa S Halagannanavar,** S/o Mr. Shivabasappa Halagannanavar, **Addressed at :** Flat No.302, Rathod Land Mark, 25/3, 1st Stage, Industrial Sub-urb, Yeshwanthpur, Bengaluru Urban, Bengaluru – 560022. **Loan A/c Nos: (1) PSOD A/c No.104700061215401 (2) PSTL A/c No.1047001800155001**	**Rs. 1,13,59,277.29** **(1) Rs. 84,78,195.25** **01.05.2022** **(2) Rs. 28,81,081.94** **05.04.2022**	**16.01.2020** **Constructive**	All that part and parcel of **Flat No.SF-3 (3 BHK), facing to West, on the second floor of the building known as "Raksha Paradise", having super built up area (SBA) of 1550 Sq.ft,** with one covered car parking space in basement floor, together with undivided share of **676 Sq.ft** of right, title and interest in the land, constructed on property bearing Municipal No.32/8, PID No.21-43-32/8, situated at 4th Stage, Industrial Town, Basaveshwaranagar, West of Chord Road, Bengaluru, belonging to **Mr. Murugarajendra V Herur. Boundaries of the property as per Document/Actual : East :** Jagadeesh Industries / Open to Sky and then Residential Building, **West :** Road / Road, **North :** Site No.31 / Godown/Shed, **South :** Site No.225 and Site No.27/Sheet roof & RCC Building.	**Rs. 81,21,000/-**	**Rs. 8,12,100/-**	**3.45 P.M to 4.05 P.M**	**Rs. 50,000/-**	**Karnataka Bank Ltd Branch: Bengaluru – Basaveshwarnagar A/c No: 1043500200004101 IFSC: KARB0000104**
6	**(1) Mr. Ranganath P.S,** S/o Mr. Sathyanarayana Setty, **(2)Mrs. Swadika B.R,** W/o Mr. Ranganath P.S, **Both are addressed at :** 788/A, 8th Cross, Mahalakshmi Layout, Bengaluru-560086. **Loan A/c Nos: TL A/c No.1127001600318001**	**Rs. 18,49,668.22** **03.05.2022**	**15.03.2022** **Constructive**	All that piece and parcel of **Residential Flat No.312/A2 (3 BHK) on Second Floor with Super Built Up area of 1250.00 sq.ft & Carpet Area of 990.00 Sq.Ft, along with 453.00 Sq.Ft** of UDS in the land and one covered car parking in Basement Floor, constructed on western portion of Site bearing No.312/A, situated at West of Chord Road, 3rd Stage, 4th Block (now Basaveshwaranagar, 3rd Stage 4th Block), BBMP Ward No.18, Bengaluru-560079, belonging to **Mr. Ranganath P.S. Boundaries of property as per Document: East by:** Eastern portion of property No.312/A, now bearing New no.312/A-1, belongs to Sri. K.Prakash and Smt. Sowbhagyalakshmi (adjacent attached building), **West by:** Road, **North by:** Property No.312, **South by:** Road.	**Rs. 60,60,000/-**	**Rs. 6,06,000/-**	**2.45 P.M to 3.05 P.M**	**Rs. 25,000/-**	**Karnataka Bank Ltd Branch: Bengaluru – Mahalaxmipuram A/c No: 1123500200004101 IFSC: KARB0000112**
7	**(1) Mrs.Manjula T.P.,** W/o Mr.Veeresh Kumar M., **(2) M/s S.V.S.Enterprises Represented by it Proprietrix: Mrs.Manjula T.P., addressed at:** Munikondappa Layout, 4th Cross, 8th Mile, Behind Widia School, Bengaluru-560073 **(3) Mr.Veeresh Kumar M.,** S/o Mr.Paramsivaiah, **No.1 and 3 are addressed at:** House No.1, Khata No.1456 (Old Khata No.37), Site No.1, 1st Main, 1st Cross, Behind Nayadu Layout, Thottaguddahalli, Anchepalaya Main Road, Bengaluru-560073 **Loan A/c Nos: (1) PSTL A/c 9047001800029701 (2) PSOD A/c 9047000600003601**	**Rs. 40,59,733.83** **(1) Rs. 24,02,769.01** **26.04.2022** **(2) Rs. 16,56,964.82** **01.05.2022**	**27.01.2022** **Constructive**	All that part and parcel of **Residential Property measuring 1200.00 Sq.Ft, [East-West: 30 Ft and North-South: 40 Ft] along with building constructed thereon bearing Site No.1, Present Khata No.1456, Old Katha No.37,** situated at Thotadguddahalli Village, Madavara Grama Panchayath, Dasanapura Hobli, Bengaluru North Taluk-560073 belonging to **Mrs.Manjula T.P. and Mr.Veeresh Kumar. Boundaries of the property (As per documents / As per actual) : East By:** Others property/Vacant Plot, **West** By: Site No.2/Vacant Plot, **North By:** Others property/Vacant Plot, South By: 20 Ft Road/Road.	**Rs. 56,56,000/-**	**Rs. 5,65,600/-**	**12.00 PM to 12.20 PM**	**Rs. 50,000/-**	**Karnataka Bank Ltd Branch: Bengaluru – Hesaraghatta Main Road A/c No: 9043500200004101 IFSC: KARB0000904**
8	**(1) M/s Savitha Traders, Represented by its Proprietor Mr. Shankar N., addressed at:** No.1, MSR Main Road, Near Railway Gate, Mathikere, Bengaluru–560054, **(2) Mr. Shankar N.,** S/o Narasimha Murthy, **(3) Mrs. Pavithra A,** W/o Shankar N, **No. 2 and 3 addressed at:** No.312, Somashettihalli, Chikkabanavara, Bengaluru – 560090, **No. 2 and 3 also addressed at:** No.1, MSR Main Road, Near Railway Gate, Mathikere, Bengaluru-560054. **Loan A/c Nos: PSOD A/c 1157000600018601**	**Rs. 24,73,120.02** **01.05.2022**	**11.11.2021** **Actual**	All that piece and parcel of the **Residential vacant site property measuring 1050 sqft (East West-35ft., North South-30ft.), bearing Site No.41, formed out of converted Sy.No.19/2, Block-2, Khata No.247 and Khata No.1067/19/2/41, Property No.150200203400221092,** situated at Lakshmipura Village, Yeshwanthpura Hobli, Bengaluru North Taluka, Bengaluru–560097, belonging to **Mr. Shankar N. Boundaries of Property (as per deed): East by:** Site No.20, **West by:** Road, **North by:** Site No.42, **South by:** Site No.40.	**Rs. 20,00,000/-**	**Rs. 2,00,000/-**	**3.00 PM to 3.20 PM**	**Rs. 10,000/-**	**Karnataka Bank Ltd Branch: Bengaluru – Gokula A/c No: 1153500200004101 IFSC: KARB0000115**
9	**(1) M/s Manjunatha Packaging Pvt. Ltd., a Private Limited Company, Represented by its Directors: (a) Mr. Krishnamurthy P N, (b) Mrs. Chandrakala R., addressed at:** No.32, Mathai Building, Prashanth Nagar, T Dasarahalli, Officers Model Colony, Bengaluru–560057, **(2) Mr. Krishnamurthy P N,** S/o Mr. Narasimhaiah, **(3) Mrs. Chandrakala R.,** W/o Mr. Krishnamurthy P N, **No.2 and 3 addressed at:** No.32, Mathai Building, Prashanth Nagar, T Dasarahalli, Officers Model Colony, Bengaluru–560057 **Loan A/c Nos: (1) DPN A/c No.9047001000015201 (2) TL A/c No.9047001600053201**	**Rs. 4,51,34,960.17** **(1) Rs. 3,71,49,196.86** **01.05.2022** **(2) Rs. 79,85,763.31** **01.05.2022**	**02.02.2022** **Actual**	All that part and parcel of **Residential property bearing Site No.31, measuring 1200 sqft (East to West – 40ft and North to South – 30ft) and Site No.32 and 33 measuring 2400 sqft (East to West-40ft and North to South-60ft), totally measuring 3600 sqft, at Sy.No.08 and Khata No.08, BBMP Ward No.13,** private layout formed by The Officers Model Homes Co-operative House Building Society Limited at T. Dasarahalli Village, Yeshwanthapura Hobli, Bengaluru North Taluk-560057 belonging to **Mrs. Chandrakala R. Boundaries of Site No.31 (As per deed/As per Actual): East by:** Site No.29 / 2 Floor building, **West by:** Site No.33 / Vacant Plot, **North by:** Site No.30 / Residential / commercial building, **South by:** Road / Road. **Boundaries of Site No.32 and 33 (As per deed/As per Actual): East by:** Site No.30 and 31 / Vacant plot and ground floor building, West by: Site No.34 and 35/2 floor building, **North by:** Road / Road, **South by:** Road / Road.	**Rs. 1,76,75,000/-**	**Rs. 17,67,500/-**	**1.30 PM to 1.50 PM**	**Rs. 1,00,000/-**	**Karnataka Bank Ltd Branch: Bengaluru – Hesaraghatta Main Road A/c No: 9043500200004101 IFSC: KARB0000904**

(The borrower's/mortgagor's attention is invited to the provisions of Sub-section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available to redeem the secured asset).

This Notice shall also serve as Notice under Sub Rule (6) of Rule 8/Sub Rule (1) of Rule 9 of Security Interest Enforcement Rules-2002 to the Borrower/Guarantors)

For detailed terms and conditions of sale, please refer to link in Karnataka Bank's Website i.e. https://karnatakabank.com under the head "Mortgaged Assets for Sale".

The E-auction will be conducted through portal **https://bankauctions.in on 10.06.2022 at above mentioned time** with unlimited extension of 05 minutes. The intending Bidder is required to register their name at **https://bankauctions.in** and get the user Id and password free of cost and get training i.e online training on e-auction **(tentatively on 09.06.2022)** from **M/s 4 Closure, Mr. S. Bhaskar Naidu (Assistant Manager), C/o Vedam Jagannadham, #65/66, D. Kamakshamma Layout, Yelahanka Old Town, Bengaluru – 560064, Mobile No: 9515160061, E-mail: bhaskar@bankauctions.in.**

Date : 06.05.2022
Place: Bengaluru

Sd/- Chief Manager & Authorised Officer,
Karnataka Bank Ltd.

SOUTHERN POWER DISTRIBUTION COMPANY OF A.P. LIMITED
Corporate office: H.No.19-13-65/A, Srinivasapuram, Tiruchanoor Road, Tirupati-517503

Tender Notice (e-procurement)

Bids through www.apeprocurement.gov.in are invited from the eligible bidders for the following works under DC works.

S.No.	Name of the work	SIP No.	Download start date
1	Replacement of existing LT Overhead Power Distribution Network with Underground Power Cable Network & providing CSS on turnkey basis in Pulivendula Division, Operation Circle, Kadapa under DC works.	SIP No.01/2022-23	The tender will be made available from 23:00 Hrs on 10.05.2022 onwards in the website: **www.apeprocurement.gov.in**

Contact No.: 83329 99180 & 83329 99985 **CHIEF GENERAL MANAGER/PROJECTS**

STATE BANK OF INDIA
VIJAYAPURA BRANCH (11286)
MELUR ROAD, VIJAYAPURA-562135
Ph: 9449866241, Email Id: sbi.11286@sbi.co.in

POSSESSION NOTICE (For Immovable property) [Rule 8(1)]

TL Educational/A/c No: 31906275398 / DRS

Whereas, The undersigned being the authorised officer of the State Bank of India, **Vijayapura Branch, Vijayapura (11286),** under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13 (12) read with rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a Demand Notice dated **04.03.2022,** calling upon the borrowers **1) Srikanth M S/o Muniraju R, 2) Muniraju R S/o Ramaiah N (Guarantor/ Mortgagor) both R/at No.2472, Balajigara Beedhi, 2nd Cross, Vijayapura Town, Devanahalli Taluk, Bangalore Rural District-562135 & Guarantor: V Harish Kumar S/o R Venkateshappa #2426, Balajigara Beedhi, 2nd Cross, Vijayapura Town, Devanahalli Taluk, Bangalore Rural District-562135,** to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being Rs. 18,89,591/- (Rupees Eighteen Lakh Eighty Nine Thousand Five Hundred Ninety one only) within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under Sub Section 4 of Section 13 of Act read with rule 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 on this **07.05.2022**

The borrower in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealing with the property will be subject to the charge of the State Bank of India for an amount **Rs. 19,19,264/-** (Rupees Nineteen Lakh Nineteen Thousand Two Hundred Sixty Four Only) as on 05.05.2022 and interest from 06.05.2022 & charges thereon, till the realization of the dues. The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of Sub Section (8) of the Section 13 of the Act, in respect of, time available to redeem the secured Assets.

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the immovable property bearing Town Municipal Kaneshumari No.2297/1904/1563, Measuring East-West: 29 feet & North-South 40 feet, Situated at behind Telephone office at Left Side of Sri. Venkataramaswamy Gudi, 3rd division, Vijayapura Town, Devanahalli Taluk, Bangalore Rural Dist., and bounded on: **East by :** Sri. Venkataramanaswamy Gudi Beedhi; **West by :** Imam Sab's Property; **North by :** Ramanna's Property; **South by :** Telephone Office Road.

Date: 07.05.2022
Place: Vijayapura

Sd/- Authorised Officer, STATE BANK OF INDIA
Vijayapura Branch, Vijayapura

FEDERAL BANK
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The Federal Bank Ltd., Loan Collection and Recovery Department / Bangalore Division, No.4, 2nd Cross, CSI Compound, Mission Road, Bangalore-560 027. Ph.: 22220898/ 22220897. Website: www.federalbank.co.in, CIN: L65191KL1931PLC000368

SALE NOTICE

Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/ charged to the Federal Bank Ltd (Secured Creditor), the constructive possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of The Federal Bank Ltd (Secured Creditor), will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" on 15/06/2022, for recovery of Rs.1,33,79,420.88 (Rupees One Crore Thirty Three Lakh Seventy Nine Thousand Four Hundred Twenty and paise Eighty Eight Only) due to The Federal Bank Ltd (Secured Creditor) as on the aforesaid date of sale from (1) Mr. Mohammed Khaderkhan Durani, S/o.Mr. Mohammed Shoukat Hussain Khan Durani (Borrower (s)) and Mrs. Ayesha Sultana, W/o Mr. Mohammed Khader Khan Durani (Co-Obligant/Co-borrower), both residing at No.418, 9th Cross, 8th Main Road, MICO Layout, BTM 2nd Stage, Bangalore -560076.

The reserve price will be **Rs.2,28,00,000/-** (Rupees Two Crores Twenty Eight Lakh Only) and the earnest money deposit will be **Rs.22,80,000/-** (Rupees Twenty Two Lakh Eighty Thousand Only)

Description of the immovable property with known encumbrances: All the piece and parcel of the Site No.401, measuring East to West 9.21 mtrs, North to South 13.70 mtrs, in all 126.18 Sq Mtrs or 1358 Sq.ft, with building having GF approximately 1100 Sq.ft, FF approximately 1100 Sq. ft and SF approximately 1100 sq .ft, totally 3300 sq.ft of built up area, situated at MICO Employees House Building Co-operative Society Layout, Nayanappa Shetty Palya, 58th Division, Present 65th Ward of Bangalore Mahanagara Palike, Bangalore and bounded on East - Property No.400, West - Property No.402, North - Property No.398, South – Road. Encumbrance if any: Not to the knowledge of the Bank.

For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided in the website of The Federal Bank Ltd i.e. **https://www.federalbank.co.in/web/guest/tender-notices.**

Date : 05.05.2022
Place : Bengaluru

Sd/- Authorised Officer
Federal Bank Ltd.

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NELAMANGALA BRANCH

E-AUCTION SALE NOTICE

APPENDIX IV-A [See proviso to rule 8(6) and 9(1)]

SALE OF IMMOVABLE ASSETS MORTGAGED/CHARGED TO THE BANK THROUGH E-AUCTION UNDER THE SARFAESI ACT {R/W RULE 8(6) AND 9(1) OF SECURITY INTEREST (ENFORCEMENT) RULES}

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower and the Guarantor that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the constructive possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of **Tamilnad Mercantile Bank Limited, Nelamangala Branch,** will be sold on **"As is where is", "As is what is" and "Whatever there is" on 04.06.2022,** for recovery of **Rs.99,40,134.18** (Rupees Ninety Nine Lakh Forty Thousand One Hundred Thirty Four and Paise Eighteen only) **{i.e., Rs.51,03,642.00 in Overdraft, Rs.33,48,793.81 in Term Loan I, Rs.14,87,698.37 in Term Loan II (GECL) } as on 30.04.2022** due to **Tamilnad Mercantile Bank Limited, Nelamangala Branch** from the borrower **Mr.R.Prakash,** S/o.Mr.Ramanna, **Proprietor, M/s. S.R.S.Pumps and Motors.** No.1050, Ragavendra Complex, Next to Jayaprakash Nursing Complex, B H Road, Nelamangala, Bangalore Rural District–562123 and the **Guarantor Mrs.R.Kalavathi,** W/o Mr. R. Prakash, No.4529, Maraloni Street, Nelamangala, Bangalore Rural District–562123.

The Reserve Price will be **Rs.6,65,00,000/-** and the earnest money deposit will be **Rs.66,50,000/-**

DETAILS OF E-AUCTION

The under mentioned property will be sold by E-Auction on **04.06.2022** for recovery of a sum of **Rs.99,40,134.18** (Rupees Ninety Nine Lakh Forty Thousand One Hundred Thirty Four and Paise Eighteen only) as on **30.04.2022** Plus future interest and costs payable by the above party, less recovery, if any, after **30.04.2022.**

SCHEDULE OF PROPERTY

Land to the extent of 7401.25 sq.ft (6238 sq.ft as per actual, excluding land provided for road) and residential building constructed thereat to the total extent of 26875 sq.ft (Stilt Floor – 5183 sq.ft, Ground Floor- 5183 sq.ft , First Floor – 5183 sq.ft , Second Floor – 5183 sq.ft , Third Floor – 5183 sq.ft , and Terrace Floor – 960 sq.ft) (plan approval is for Stilt, Ground and First floor with 2580 sq.ft each) bearing Khaneshumari No.1333, Later Katha No.1996/1927, PID No.25-27-1B, Ward No.13, M.G.Road, Subash Nagar, Nelamangala Town & Municipal, Bengaluru Rural District, standing in the name of Mr.R.Prakash. Boundaries: North : Entaganahalli Gangahanumaiah & Virupakshaiah's Property, South :Padmanabhaiah's Land, East :Property of Padmanabaiah and Road, West : Property of Basheer Saib and Vacant Site.

Note: 4.57 Metre width of the property in the southern side of the land has been left for road formation. (also mentioned in building plan approval)

Reserve Price	**Rs.6,65,00,000/-** (Rupees Six Crore Sixty Five Lakh only)
EMD	**Rs.66,50,000/-** (Rupees Sixty Six Lakh and Fifty Thousand only)
E – Auction Website	**https://sarfaesi.auctiontiger.net**
Date and Time of E-Auction Sale	**04.06.2022 between 11.30 A.M and 12.30 P.M with auto time extension of 5 minutes each, till sale is concluded.**
Last date for submission of Bid Form with EMD	Bid Form along with Demand Draft or RTGS **(A/c No.260430250803140 – IFSC Code: TMBL0000260)** in favour of **Tamilnad Mercantile Bank Ltd,** should be submitted / remitted on or before **03.06.2022** within **04.30 P.M.**
Place of submission of Bid Form and EMD	**Tamilnad Mercantile Bank Ltd. Nelamangala Branch,** Weavers Colony Bus Stop, B.H.Road, Nelamangala - 562 123.
Bid Multiplier	**Rs.50,000/- (Rupees Fifty Thousand Only)**

For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided in secured creditors website **(www.tmb.in).**

Note: 1) Bid form for participating in the e-auction is available in the website **https://sarfaesi.auctiontiger.net**

2) Bidders shall hold a valid Digital Signature Certificate issued by competent authority and valid email ID {e-mail ID is absolutely necessary for the intending bidder) with regard to other relevant information and allotment of ID & password. For participating in the e-auction Contact: **M/s E-Procurement Technologies Ltd, Ahmedabad, Help Line. No: 079-40230825 I 826 I 827 I 813 I 814 I 815 I 816 I 817 I 818 I 819/800) Email ID: spraveen.thevar@auctiontiger.net & tamilnadu@auctiontiger.net .**

Place : Bengaluru
Date : 06.05.2022

Sd/- Authorised Officer
Tamilnad Mercantile Bank Ltd.
Bengaluru Region. (For Nelamangala Branch)

Depression in the Bay of Bengal is likely to intensify into a cyclonic storm on Sunday morning and severe cyclonic storm by evening on same day and reach near the north coast of Andhra Pradesh by May 10

Rahul attempts to quell dissidence in Telangana Cong

VIVEK BHOOMI @Hyderabad

A day after making an attempt to endear himself to the teeming farmers of Telangana at a public meeting in Warangal, senior Congress leader and Wayanad MP Rahul Gandhi on Saturday got down to the immediate task of cleansing the "Augean stables" of the party of dissidence.

Rahul got down to the brass tacks of drilling into the minds of the party leaders that discipline should be the watchword for them and any differences either on policy issues or with individuals should be brought to the notice of the party leadership instead of going to the media.

At the TPCC special executive committee meeting at Gandhi Bhavan, the Congress leader urged them to bear in mind that they would get the positions they deserve in the party if they worked with missionary zeal in brightening the prospects of the party. He warned them against playing into the hands of those who spread rumours that the party was going to have any truck with the TRS.

Whether it was internal politics and differences between the party's State leaders, the issue of hardworking cadre not getting their due, or the rumours being spread by a few that Congress leaders were going to compromise with TRS, Rahul seemed to know exactly what was going wrong in the party.

'Don't air complaints on media'

"I consider you all as part of Congress' family. Different views and opinions are common within the family. Congress is not like the RSS, where one person takes all the decisions. We want to listen to everyone in the party, but not through the media," he said.

Tamil Nadu Chief Minister MK Stalin checks a sand art made to commemorate one year of DMK's governance on Marina Beach in Chennai. As DMK enters its second year of governance, Stalin on Saturday announced a slew of new schemes, including breakfast for students of Classes I to V in government schools | EXPRESS

50K acres to be acquired for GIM investors: Nirani

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

INDUSTRY Minister Murgesh Nirani said that the government will acquire 50,000 acres of land ahead of the Global Investors Meet in November 2022, and allot land to industrialists and provide world-class facilities.

"Setting up more industries will create more jobs for locals and reduce unemployment," Nirani said. Speaking at the inauguration of India Manufacturing Show 2022, in Bengaluru on Saturday, he stressed on taking industries beyond Bengaluru into Tier II and III cities under Aatmanirbhar Bharat. "Besides our government will also implement One District One Product policy soon," he said. He said special incentives will be given to cluster-based industrial parks.

Xiaomi's coercion charges false: ED

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

THE Directorate of Enforcement (ED) has refuted allegations made by Xiaomi India officials that their statements were taken under coercion by the ED. Calling the allegations "untrue and baseless," the Central agency stated that the officials of Xiaomi India had deposed before the ED under the Foreign Exchange Management Act (FEMA) 1999. The ED stated that the statements were made "voluntarily in the most conducive environment."

The agency's clarification comes in the wake of allegations reportedly made by the top executives of Xiaomi India. They had alleged that they faced threats of "physical violence" and "coercion" during questioning by the ED.

On Thursday, the vacation bench of Justice Hemant Chandangoudar, in an interim order, stayed the ED order dated April 29, by which it had seized Rs 5,551.27 crore of Xiaomi Technology India Private Limited under the provisions of FEMA, subject to the condition that the petitioner (Xiaomi Technology India Pvt Ltd) should operate the bank accounts, which are seized under the impugned order only for the purpose of meeting the expenses for carrying out the day-to-day activities of the company. The next hearing was adjourned for May 12.

The ED had last week seized 5,551.27 crore ($725million) lying in the company's India bank accounts, saying it had made illegal remittances to three foreign-based entities, including one Xiaomi group entity "in the guise of royalty" payments.

"No complaint was filed by them at any point of time during recording of statements at various occasions. It appears that allegation now made after passage of substantial time is an afterthought," the ED stated. Xiaomi India, meanwhile, has denied any wrongdoing and had earlier stated that its royalty payments "are all legit and truthful" and the payments were made for "in-licensed technologies and IPs used in our Indian version products."

OBCs lagging in local bodies: Panel to study

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IN THE HC

THE state government on Saturday formed an independent commission headed by Justice Dr K Bhakthavatsala, former judge of Karnataka High Court, to study as to why backward classes were lagging behind politically in Panchayat Raj Institutions and Urban Local Bodies, and submit a report.

Former IAS officer CR Chikkamath will be a member of the commission.

According to an order issued by the Backward Classes Welfare Department on Saturday, the decision to form the Commission came following deliberations at all-party meetings chaired by Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai on March 23 and 31, 2022, respectively. It has been stated in the order that the Supreme Court in 2010 directed the states to constitute an independent commission to study the issue of lack of political representation of backward classes in local bodies.

Varsities must possess at least 25 acres of land: UGC

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NARENDRA N, a former student of the university who graduated in 2020, said he had filed multiple RTIs and also organised a protest in September 2021. The survey documents provided by Narendra show that only 10 acres are said to belong to the university, which is also shared by the Government Arts College. The guidelines, however, stipulate that a university can only be established if it has at least 25 acres if it is within BBMP limits and at least 40 acres otherwise.

Further, fees for the Bachelor of Computer Application course has more than doubled. It was around Rs 10,000 earlier and it has gone up to Rs 21,000. "Many students from rural and poor backgrounds come here to study. They cannot afford such high fees," Narendra said.

University Vice-Chancellor Shrinivas Balli told TNSE that the state government promised land to the university in Yelahanka where a hostel for SC/ST students is also situated that is run by the Social Welfare Department. "Since the university was a bifurcated college, there has not been any proper division between the arts and science college. There is some confusion regarding the usage of the playground and auditorium," he said.

According to UGC guidelines, universities must possess at least 25 acres of land at its own campus and not across campuses. A UGC official told TNSE that oral complaints had been received on land irregularities by the university. Several applications have been rejected solely because of the land clause, he pointed out.

On the high fees, Balli said that though there are no subsidies for SC/ST students, fees will be reimbursed after the completion of the course. But Narendra said how will students get money to pursue their studies first.

Utilising non-forest land could affect soil

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"But it does not mean that the remaining 6.81 lakh ha (which is 67 per cent) can be utilised. Also, 6.64 lakh ha cannot be declassified as it was never classified as forest land. This is because it includes already listed forest areas and revenue pockets. The land actually available with the government is 1.10 lakh ha. The land cannot be immediately handed over as the affidavit submitted before the Supreme Court is still not cleared," the official said.

Another forest official said that utilising the entire available non-forest land for commercial purposes will only have an adverse effect on the soil and green cover.

"With urbanisation close to forest areas in Madikeri, Shivamogga and other areas, one is already seeing its impact like landslides, soil erosion and flooding. More events will happen if defined, eco-sensitive and buffer zones are not maintained. So far, these areas were protected because they were assumed to be deemed forest," the official said.

Udupi MLA K Raghupathi Bhat said that those who had applied to regularise their houses by applying through section 94C of the Karnataka Land Revenue Act can now get title deeds.

(Public Works Department)
Office of the Executive Engineer, Chikkaballapura Division, Chikkaballapura.
Invitation for Short-Term Tender (I.F.T.) No.: 02/2022-23 Date: 05.05.2022
(For Road Works – As per Standard Bidding Document K.W. –1 in Single Cover system)
On behalf of the Governor of Karnataka, as per Karnataka Transparency in Public Procurement Act 2000, the Undersigned invites Tenders in Single cover system through e-procurement portal from eligible Contractors registered in PWD for works under S.C.P. and T.S.P. Head of Account in Shidlaghatta Assembly Constituency. Those interested in participating in the tender can submit the tenders **from 09.05.2022 to 18.05.2022 up to 4.00 pm.**
(1) Last date for objections-doubts and clarifications: **09.05.2022 (at 3.00 pm during office hours)**. (2) Last date for submission of filled tenders: **18.05.2022 (up to 4.00 pm).** (3) Date of opening Financial Bid: **20.05.2022 at 11.00 am.** For more information visit website **www.kpwd.gov.in** or contact this office during office hours.
Sd/- Executive Engineer, PWD Chikkaballapura Division, Chikkaballapura.
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SHORT TERM E-PROCUREMENT TENDER NOTIFICATION
Executive Engineer, City Corporation Vijayapur invites tenders from eligible tenders registered in PWD/ZP/CPWD for the**01 work underCorporation Fund 2022-23 and 01 work including Lease Properties Fund and Corporation Fund**Tenders are called in standard tender document throughE-Procurement portal.For further details visit online web site **https:/www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in**.
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Name of the Work: 1. Development of Gymnastic Centre at Tumakuru-Call 3, Amount put to tender: 2.32 Crores, EMD Rs.3,48,600/-, Last date for bid submission, **30.05.2022,** Bid opening Date: **31.05.2022**
Note: Any change of date and other information will be notified only in e-procurement portal and no further publications in Newspaper.
Sd/- Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer, Tumakuru Smart city Limited, Tumakuru
DIPR/TUM/80/MCA/2022-23

Rural Drinking Water & Sanitation Department
Office of the Executive Engineer, RDW&SD, Bengaluru Rural, Beerasandra, Devanahalli Taluk.
e-Mail: eerdwsd.bngrl@gmail.com
e-Procurement Short-Term Tender Notification No.01/2022-23/106 Date:07.05.2022
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Sd/- Executive Engineer, RDW&S Division, Bengaluru Rural.
DIPR/DD.C.P/428/MCA/2022-23

DEPUTY CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS, SOCIAL FORESTRY DIVISION RAICHUR
No: A3/Budget/Tender/CR- /2022-23 Date : 05-05-2022
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This is to inform the public that, for the Financial Year 2022-23. Deputy Conservator of Forests, Social Forestry Division, Raichur has invited Tender for Forest Works through e-Procurement two cover system in Different Schemes. Registered Forest Contractors under of Social/Regular Division Raichur (Registered in the Year 2022-23) are eligible for Tender Works. Tender on 16-05-2022.
Technical Bids open on 17-05-2022 and Financial Bid opening on 18-05-2022 at 4.00 Pm.
More Details available on the notice board. Office of the Deputy Conservator of Forests, Social Forestry Division, Raichur
Sd/- Deputy Conservator of Forests, Social Forestry Division, Raichur
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Government of Karnataka
(Rural Drinking Water & Sanitation Department)
Office of the Executive Engineer, Rural Drinking Water & Sanitation Division, Shivamogga
No: EE/RWSS/Dvn/SMG/JE/JJM/E-Proc/2021-22/240 Date : 05.05.2022
TENDER NOTIFICATION (Through e-procurement)
On behalf of Governor of Karnataka, tenders have been invited as per Karnataka Transparency in Public Procurement Act 2000 to undertake the following works in the limits of Rural Drinking Water & Sanitation Division, Shivamogga under Jal Jeevan Mission Project.
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Tender Schedules :
(1) Last date for receiving tenders from contractors : **13.05.2022 at 5.30 P M.** (2) Date of opening of Single cover Financial Bid : **15.05.2022 at 11.30 A. M.** (3) Date of opening of Double cover Technical Bid : **15.05.2022 at 11.30 A M.** (4) Date of opening of Double cover Financial bid : **17.05.2022 at 11.30 A M.** (5) Time fixed for completion of works : **Single Cover : 3 months (90 days) Double cover: 3 months (90 days)**
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sd/- Executive Engineer, Rural Drinking Water and Sanitation Division, Shivamogga

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No: BIMS/Tender/Stationery/CR-12/2022-23 Date: 06/05/2022
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The Director, Belagavi Institute of Medical Sciences, Belagavi hereby invites tender under e-tendering (e-procurement) system from primary manufactures, authorized agents, authorized distributors, imports (in case of imported) for the supply of the items mentioned below as per the K.T.P.P act 1999 and rules 2000 their under.

Sl. No.	Tender Notification	Description of Tender	Tender Value (Approximate) (Rs. In lakhs)
1	No: BIMS/Tender/ Stationery/CR-12/2022-23 Date:09/05/2022	Tender for Stationery Items	42 LAKHS

The Tenderers Registered under e-procurement Portal can refer Government of Karnataka e portal website https://www.e-proc.karnataka.gov.in and this office Website: www.bimsbelgaum.org to get date information about the tender & the amount to be paid towards EMD & Security Deposits or can contact the Director BIMS Belagavi Office in the Office working hours to get the information.
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HOW do you make a virtue out of necessity? Apparently, it calls for the injection of some drama. Ergo at 2 pm on Wednesday, the Reserve Bank of India made an unscheduled pit stop to make an important announcement. It had, via the monetary policy committee, taken the decision to raise the repo rate (the rate at which the RBI lends money to banks) by 40 basis points.

The commentary which followed the announcement characterised the action as "pre-emptive"! The unstated and unanswered question is exactly what the focus of the so-called "pre-emptive" action was. Is the RBI's remit to beat the action of the US Federal Reserve Bank by a few hours or is it to estimate and act on data to 'secure monetary stability' as ordained by the RBI Act? The question the RBI chose not to address is why the hike had to await May 4 and why was it not done on April 8. This column had earlier highlighted the threat of inflation and characterised the RBI's stance as Yes-No-Maybe!

Beyond the dress-and-dodge, here are some facts for consideration. The RBI is directed by government to target consumer price inflation at 4 per cent — with a lower tolerance limit of 2 per cent and an upper tolerance limit of 6 per cent. What do the facts show? CPI has been above 4 per cent for over a year and since January, it has breached the 6 per cent tolerance limit.

Inflation is aggravated by quantum of money in the system. The RBI's report on Currency and Finance points out (shorn of jargon) liquidity of more than 1.52 per cent of total deposits is deemed to be inflationary. It is estimated that at current levels of around 4 per cent, liquidity is way above threshold. Yet, in April and in May, in an unusual construct of semantics, the RBI stated it would remain "accommodative while focusing on withdrawal of accommodation".

Context is critical for policy. Inflation has virtually set the world on fire. Every country in the grouping of developed nations, G7, is reporting record high inflation and almost every central bank is scampering to raise rates. Rising rates have triggered mayhem in financial markets — yields have gone up in the bond markets and valuations have crashed in equity.

Stock indices across the world have taken a brutal beating. In the US, the tech index NASDAQ has shed over 20 per cent of its value; S&P has dropped from 4,796 to 4,123 on Friday and DJIA from 36,585 to 32,899 since January. In India, the total value of all stocks listed on the Bombay Stock Exchange has slid from over ₹266 trillion in January to ₹255 trillion this week.

The commentary attending the rate hikes is instructive. A few hours after the RBI announcement, the US Federal Reserve raised interest rates by 50 basis points, announced quantitative tightening of liquidity. US Federal Reserve chief J Powell indicated that hikes of 50 basis points are on the table for the next few months. And although Powell ruled out that a 75 basis point hike was out of consideration, pressure is mounting. On Friday, current and former members of the Fed's open market committee came out arguing for more aggressive rate hikes.

Heads of some central banks, caught in the wrong foot, have exhibited humility and nimble footwork. The most candid statement on the state of the global economy and the risks of rising inflation came from Andrew Bailey, the Governor of the Bank of England. Soon after the BoE hiked interest rates to a 13-year high, Bailey warned that inflation could touch double digits topping 10 per cent and even listed recession as one of the potential risks. In Europe where inflation has touched a record high of 7.5 per cent, the European Central Bank is gearing up for a series of rate hikes and tightening of liquidity.

The emerging spectre has serious implications for the Indian economy. There is a moving consensus for taking terminal rates higher in the US and elsewhere given the stickiness of inflation and high cost of labour. Every rate hike challenges the interest rate differential that India enjoys to attract capital. Already foreign institutional investors have pulled out over ₹40,000 crore every month of this calendar year. Inflation triggers a flight to safety and this is visible in the slide of tech stocks and even Bitcoin.

There is a perception in the financial markets that the RBI is second guessing the Union government. There is the oft-repeated theory about lower interest rates helping government borrowing as also enabling investment and growth. Fact is rising inflation can derail sustainability of the interest rate to growth rate matrix. It is also useful to remember credit growth has been tepid and mostly in single digit. Inflation is also a political factor — rising costs impact household budgets and can affect employment and therefore income generation. And yes, the high forex reserves argument has been tested deserves to be rested — the RBI has been spending roughly $10 billion a month managing the rupee's level.

It is true that the macro fundamentals are challenging — debt to GDP ratio is over 86 per cent and gross government borrowings (Centre and States) would cross ₹24 lakh crore. But just as uncertainty is a base case for central banks, so is the state of the political economy. It is what it is. The RBI needs to fashion and share a glide path of its view of the road ahead — its role is to nudge, not jolt stakeholders. To protect its autonomy and credibility, the RBI needs to act autonomously and credibly.

A LANGUAGE TO DISRUPT INDIA?

POINT OF VIEW

T J S GEORGE

HINDI zealots do not realise a basic fact of life — that zealotry is negative in its impact. Its dictionary meaning makes this abundantly clear. "Fanatical and uncompromising pursuit of religious, political or other ideals." Of course, zealots do not see this. Their minds are so tightly closed that they cannot see the disservice they do to their cause — in this case, Hindi. Some of them allow zealotry to turn them into idiots.

No one with basic common sense would say what UP Minister Sanjay Nishad said the other day. "Those who cannot speak Hindi," he said, "are foreigners and must leave India."

Actually Nishad is a foreigner who must leave India forthwith. He can speak only one of the Indo-Aryan languages spoken in this proudly multicultural country and is a stranger to the Dravidian languages spoken by 20 per cent of Indians. The Constitution does not say that Hindi is the national language. The more Hindiwallas promote Hindi with their one-eyed view, the more anti-Hindi sentiments develop in the country. That is why, if Nishad leaves the country forthwith, it will be good for Hindi — and no doubt for the country.

A realistic approach that accepts the historical limitations of Hindi would have been helpful to the cause. Unfortunately, arrogance is the trademark of Hindi promoters. It prevents them from seeing what others can see clearly.

Half a century ago, for example, Prime Minister Lal Bahadur Shastri tried to make Hindi the pre-eminent language in India. He was a good Prime Minister with some good ideas. He promoted the Amul milk cooperative as part of the "white revolution" and also started projects to promote food production, the "green revolution".

But he erred on Hindi. His moves provoked angry reactions that led to widespread agitation. Riots, self-immolation and suicides set Tamil Nadu ablaze. Lal Bahadur read the message and, instead of fighting it as a self-willed autocrat, decided to respect popular sentiments. He quietly gave up his Hindi-based plans and changed the laws to ensure that English would continue.

If such accommodation was not forthcoming, India could well have turned into a Babel, the Biblical City where God confounded a presumptuous attempt to build a tower going all the way up to heaven. He made the builders speak in languages they could not mutually understand, and plans for Babel collapsed.

Over-emphasis on Hindi and conscious discouragement of other languages can, theoretically, create a Babel in India. This is why policy postures by leaders like Amit Shah create problems instead of solving them. His official status enables him to preside over key organisations such as the Parliamentary Official Language Committee. But his decisions are divisive. Is he suffering from an insecurity complex and is in constant need of reassurances of his importance? In the most recent meeting, he said that Hindi, not English, should be the link language between different linguistic communities.

Why does a leader like Shah go on provoking people? Why does he embarrass his own party people? The BJP had succeeded in forming a government in Assam by chanting the slogan of Assamese nationalism. Now the local leadership is finding it difficult to justify the Centre's stance

He could not have been unaware of the impossibility of his proposal. He only had to take a quick look at Assam to understand how wrong he was. The Central Government has initiated moves to make Hindi compulsory till Class 10 in Assam. The Assamese are up in arms against the move. Warnings have been issued that popular uprisings might follow.

Why does a leader like Shah go on provoking people? Why does he embarrass his own party people? The BJP had succeeded in forming a government in Assam by chanting the slogan of Assamese nationalism. Now the local leadership is finding it difficult to justify the Centre's stance. Caught between a rock and a hard place, all that Assam's CM could say was that there was no central order yet to make Hindi compulsory in schools. Local people will know the difference between what they experience in practice and what they hear from their leaders. Any discrepancy can only shatter the credibility of the leaders.

The CM went on record with the statement: "Amit Shah said that children must know Hindi." How nice! How considerate! Who would say no to such an obvious truism? Of course, our children must know Hindi. They must know as many languages as they can learn. But knowing Hindi is one thing, enforcing it is another. Those in power would only be deceiving themselves if they think that people are too innocent to know what is going on. Shah should know that he cannot fool the people. It will be wise for those in power to pay heed to the words of Akhil Gogoi, the young peasant leader from Assam. He said: "Plurality is the core of India's constitutional values. The statement of Amit Shah to impose Hindi imperialism will undermine the unity of India." Wise words which only the unwise can ignore.

SO NEAR, YET SO FAR: TAMIL PREDICAMENT IN SRI LANKA

OPINION

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COLOMBO Telegraph, the internet newspaper, dated April 26, 2022, had an absorbing article entitled 'The New Tamil Refugees from the North-East to Tamil Nadu: New Bonds in Troubled Times' authored by N Lohathayalan and S Ratnajeevan Hoole. As popular protests mount day by day against the fascist regime, the Tamils, who are the worst sufferers, are naturally trying to come to India as refugees. But the Sri Lankan Navy enters the scene; the escapees are detained in mid-sea, produced in a court of law, which imposes a fine on them; and then they are allowed to go home.

If the Sri Lankan Navy believes that it can create a Berlin Wall in the Palk Strait, it is living in a fool's paradise. Like the famous Berlin Wall which collapsed in 1989, because of the abiding faith of the Germans in truth, freedom and unity, Sri Lankans even at grave risk and danger would come to India, their protector and saviour for nearly four decades.

In his book 'Culture and Imperialism', Edward Said has pointed out that it is one of the "unhappiest characteristics of our age to have produced more refugees, migrants, displaced persons and exiles than ever before in history". The tragic predicament of the Tamils in Sri Lanka reminds me of what Prof. Valentine Daniel had written a few years ago. The refugee, as Daniel had written, "mistrusts and is mistrusted. In a profound sense, one becomes a refugee even before fleeing the society in which one lives." To apply Daniel's statement to contemporary Sri Lanka, sections of Tamils have already become refugees since they have lost trust in the society and in the government. It is only a question of time before they leave the shores of Sri Lanka.

The right to seek asylum is found in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and the right to enjoy asylum is found in numerous international instruments. At the same time, states which try to persecute their citizens often try to prevent them from leaving their countries. They argue that they have the sovereign right to do so and the claims of the asylum seekers are unjustified. But the right to leave a persecuting state is central to international protection.

One tragic irony of the present situation should be highlighted. The naval action of detaining those who want to come to India should have received international condemnation. The UNHCR should have taken the lead, but so far, its policy can be explained as sphinx-like silence. The UNHCR proudly proclaims "we protect people forced to flee their homes", but the proclamation is not matched by action on the ground.

In Sri Lanka, the UNHCR involvement dates back to 1987, when the government requested its assistance in the repatriation of refugees from Tamil Nadu. In 1990, it was asked to expand activities and care for the internally displaced people. In 2003, the UNHCR assisted the hill country Tamils to get Sri Lankan citizenship, while continuing its assistance to the Tamils who had migrated to the North and were kept at the relief camps in Vavuniya. When Tsunami hit Sri Lanka, the UNHCR rendered commendable assistance to the affected people. The UNHCR works in collaboration with the Chennai office and helps those who have been voluntarily repatriated.

A few days ago, the Chennai office of the UNHCR organised a meeting of their officers and various scholars to discuss comprehensive solutions strategy for Sri Lankan refugees. An excellent background paper prepared by the UNHCR was circulated. The paper dealt with the background to the refugee presence, the assistance rendered by the Tamil Nadu government, legal and administrative framework, prospects of voluntary repatriation, reintegration and monitoring, problems associated with local integration and what role the UNHCR can play.

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Unfortunately, there was no mention of the nation building process in Sri Lanka and the discriminatory treatment meted out to the minorities. The basic problems created by Sri Lanka were not touched upon. In other words, you do the fire-fighting exercise, try to extinguish the fire once it spreads, but do not probe the causes of fire and extinguish the causes once and for all. This policy of turning a Nelson's eye to the root causes has resulted in the UNHCR hesitating to criticise the Sri Lankan Navy. I had the good fortune last week to meet and discuss with high officials from UNHCR Office — Geneva, Bangkok and New Delhi — who were in Chennai on an official visit. I asked the straight question. 'Why is the UNHCR office in Colombo not criticising the naval action of preventing the Tamils from coming to India as refugees?' There was no convincing answer. I sincerely hope that UNHCR would rise to the occasion, do heart searching, revise its stance, criticise the Sri Lankan policy, compel the government to reverse its stance and render all possible assistance to all who want to reach India as refugees.

The silver lining is the positive attitude which the government and people of Tamil Nadu have taken on the recent developments. The differences among the political parties have been set aside and the Tamil Nadu government has decided to give assistance to all Sri Lankans through the Union government. The Minister in-Charge of the Overseas Tamil Affairs should immediately declare that all those who want to come to Tamil Nadu — irrespective of ethnic origin — are welcome. While all assistance to Sri Lanka should be channeled through the Government of India, the people of Tamil Nadu, at the same time, should express their solidarity with those who are fighting against the brutal regime.

We must take inspiration from our glorious traditions and formulate our present and future course of action. In the Indian tradition, a stranger who comes home is treated as an Athithi and the host is expected to treat him as God, next only to mother, father and teacher. In the Yuddha Kanda of Valmiki Ramayana, when Vibishana approached Rama for asylum, Rama told Sugriva: "O Sugriva, please bring him here. I have granted him fearlessness, whether he is Vibishana or Ravana." Periyapuranam and Thirukkural contain several references as to how those, who come in search of shelter and livelihood, should be treated.

Tamil poet Kaniyan Poongoundranar, who lived about 3,000 years ago, had a "sense of belonging to every place" and "everyone is our own". Let us emulate this statement in theory and practice and render all assistance to Sri Lankans in their greatest hour of need.

QUOTE CORNER

I will have only one compass: serving. Serving our country, serving our fellow citizens, serving our children and our youth to whom I pledge to hand down a more liveable planet and a more living and stronger France.

Emmanuel Macron, French President

That is critical (the rich nations implement promises to keep alive a global goal to avoid the worst impacts of climate changes). Those 20 countries account for 80% of all emissions. If those countries move, we solve the problem.

John Kerry, US climate envoy

To stop the war, the step should be regaining the situation as of February 23. I was elected by the people of Ukraine as president of Ukraine, not as president of a mini Ukraine of some kind. This is a very important point.

Volodymyr Zelenskyy, Ukrainian President

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Sedition law needs SC review

It's good that the controversial Section 124A of IPC, the Sedition Act, has been under serious examination of the Supreme Court. The act was used by the British to suppress the voices of freedom fighters. Its constitutionality was upheld by the judiciary with cautioning against tendencies to violate fundamental rights of citizen by the state in the name of national security. In majority of cases, the basis for slapping the sedition law on an individual is just on mere suspicion. Even if the act is applied wrongly on an innocent person, the erring executive can go scot free. The act rightly deserves to be examined thoroughly by the apex court.

DVG Sankararao, Nellimarla

Record heating of Earth

This has reference to the news "The Earth on high flame: NASA data shows record heating". Earlier, the news about climate aberrations was rare and seldom. But in the recent years, the news of global warming is not only frequent but also frightening. Flash floods and frequent wild forest fires testify the alarming speed at which the earth and oceans are heated. Wealth nations have to chalk out alternative energy plans to relieve the earth from the fossil fuels. It is a ticking bomb for humanity.

S Arjun Prasanna, Bengaluru

Politics of revenge

The cat and mouse game among Punjab, Delhi and Haryana police over the arrest of Tajinder Bagga speaks volumes about the sorry state of affairs in governance and political leaders milking state machinery to settle political scores. All political parties have proved that they are cut from the same cloth. The AAP's puerile act of dispatching police to arrest a man for an offensive tweet has given the BJP enough ammunition to create optics against the Arvind Kejriwal-led party. It is sagacious for AAP not to fritter away its brute mandate by using tricks from the BJP rulebook.

Deepak Singhal, Noida

Lynchings must stop

Beating people to death in retribution to cow slaughter or beef eating has become a recurring barbarity in North India. The latest of the gruesome killings took place at Seoni in Madhya Pradesh. These dastardly acts signify a cowardly terrorist mind set-up all in the name of religion that spark off ugly tumults across the nation. For that matter, why don't they oppose slaughter of other animals and birds? Aren't they creatures of the same god? True, a few states have issued ban orders against cow slaughter in the light of a verdict by the Supreme Court, but not one against lynching. It is time for the top court to revisit the issue.

Sanath Kumar TS, Thrissur

A step towards J&K's progress

The edit 'J&K Delimitation and the political meaning behind it' (May 7) aptly sums up the game plan behind the exercise. The abrogation of Article 370 also had political intent behind it. The government should be complimented for its bold steps towards achieving J&K's integration with India. The reset of constituencies will result in greater sense of parity for Jammu, hitherto at disadvantage with Kashmir. In a democracy, one can always see a political meaning behind every action of the government. But in doing so, the national interest behind the move should not be lost sight of by anybody.

Hemanth Bhide, Mangaluru

Unwanted food poisoning

Kerala is in the throes of food poisoning yet again, with reports of sale of stale food threatening public health emerging almost daily. It all began with a 16-year-old girl hailing from Kasargod succumbing to food poisoning after consuming stale shawarma. Knee-jerk action by health authorities when a calamity occurs, which is the usual practice is self-defeating for the cause of food hygiene. Only relentless, routine unannounced inspection of food, and sale of perishable raw material in markets by honest officials can offer an answer to this avoidable calamity.

George Jacob, Kochi

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TWEETS OF THE DAY

Mamata Banerjee @MamataOfficial
Union govt must stop tormenting the people! By repeatedly increasing fuel prices etc, BJP is actually conducting a #GreatIndianLoot.

Akhilesh Yadav @yadavakhilesh
Figure of deaths due to Covid-19 in India given by WHO is almost 10 times more than the figures of BJP govt. It can also deny possible compensation related to corona-deaths in future.

Devendra Fadnavis @Dev_Fadnavis
The BJP's struggle will continue till OBC reservation is restored and till it is, BJP will give 27% representation to OBCs in every election.

Most Army buys will be from desi firms: Vice-chief

Asserts orders will be placed if firms can meet even 80% demands

MAYANK SINGH @New Delhi

IN a major push for the indigenous defence industry, the Indian Army's almost all approvals will go to the local manufacturers, Lieutenant General BS Raju, Vice Chief of Army Staff said on Saturday.

"Most of the Acceptance of Necessity (AoN) – 90% and above -- will be given to the indigenous manufacturers. We will come more than half a distance to meet your aspirations," said Lt Gen Raju.

To bring clarity and smoothen the process, the Preliminary Staff Qualitative Requirements (PSQRs) is being simplified.

The PSQRs specify to the vendor the exact equipment being asked for, the functional characteristics of the hardware or software, costs and the timeline for delivery.

The message from the top, Lt Gen Raju said, is very clear: fight future wars with indigenous equipment. "We will not ask you for the moon. The PSQRs that we are going to issue are going to be reasonable so that you are able to produce." The Vice Chief mentioned that if their equipment can meet even 80% of the Army's aspirations, then the force will go ahead and issue orders.

Army Vice-Chief Lt Gen B S Raju (R) with Northern Army commander Lt Gen Upendra Dwivedi during the North Tech Symposium in Udhampur on Saturday | PTI

Lt General Raju was in Udhampur to inaugurate the North Tech Symposium organized by the Army's Northern Command. The symposium acts as a platform for an exchange of ideas between the the Army and domestic firms.

The Army said 162 companies from the Indian defence players exhibited their products. In addition, 42 innovative solutions by Army establishments towards enhancement of combat potential of the Army were also on display.

"We need drones of all kinds which are able to do persistent wsurveillance and carry payloads to the place of choice," said Lt Gen Raju.

GREEN IMPACT

Panel clears decks for Ganga waterway project

RICHA SHARMA @New Delhi

AFTER considering for six years if the Centre's ambitious National Waterway-1 project on the river Ganga requires an environmental clearance, the National Green Tribunal (NGT) has virtually cleared the decks for the inland waterway project, saying there is no scope for it to decide the matter as the Allahabad High Court has already decided the issue.

The HC had, in an order dated April 28, 2016, allowed the project, subject to receipt of all required statutory clearances. "Any contra order by this tribunal will be improper," the NGT bench headed by Chairperson Justice A K Goel said.

The NGT was hearing a plea filed by Bharat Jhunjhunwala and others on whether environmental impact assessment (EIA) was necessary for navigation infrastructure on the Prayagraj-Haldia stretch of the inland waterway project. The stretch is being constructed with the 50% investment support of the World Bank.

In its order dated May 6, the NGT bench said, "The High Court has expressly referred to the issue of environmental clearance and allowed the project proponents to proceed with the project and get an environmental impact assessment conducted after commissioning of the project."

The Tribunal, however, passed a stricture against the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEF) saying it failed to respond to the NGT's calls that an expert body should look into the environmental impact of the project. "MoEF remains unrepresented. It needs to put its house in order by taking remedial action and fixing responsibility to avoid such lapses in failure. As already suggested, for future consideration, MoEF may study and clarify the matter for technical and governance clarity for inland waterways projects," the bench said.

NGT Act challenged, Centre's reply sought

PRATHMA SHARMA @New Delhi

THE Supreme Court has sought the Central government's response on a petition challenging certain provisions of the National Green Tribunal Act, 2010.

The plea has sought relook at Sections 14, 15 and 16 of the Act on several grounds, including the bar on approaching the tribunal after five years and 60 days to seek compensation, relief or restitution. It says that such restriction acts as a hindrance for the aggrieved people to exercise their fundamental rights, which as per law is arbitrary and unconstitutional.

The petition, filed by advocate Abhimanue Shrestha, says the hazardous effects of pollution caused by any industry/industrial activity on the ecology and environment are not always necessarily felt within five years and may be felt decades later or may even be inter-generational.

"It has often been the case that living around a polluting industry do not exhibit any adverse symptoms from the pollution caused, but the same are made abundantly apparent only with the coming of the next generations. Similarly, it is not always the case that due to the effect of pollution or the hazard caused by the industries, the environment begins to immediately deteriorate," the petition reads.

The petition argues that the time limit on seeking damages severely cripples the Tribunal from exercising its functions and powers for the protection and preservation of environment and environmental rights and goes against the very purpose of NGT's establishment.

The petitioner further says that the gap in the remedies available under Articles 32 and 226 of the Constitution, as against what is available in the NGT Act, creates a scenario that becomes inexplicable in the context of environmental matters.

Justice Sudhanshu Dhulia

Justice Dhulia's younger brother is national award-winning film director Tigmanshu Dhulia while elder brother Himanshu Dhulia is a retired naval officer. His father was a judge at Allahabad HC and grandfather was a freedom fighter.

Justice Jamshed Burjor Pardiwala

Justice Pardiwala will be the fourth judge from the Parsi community to adorn the top court bench and the first high court judge from the minority community who has been elevated to the apex court in the last five years, after Justice S Abdul Nazeer in 2017.

SC gets full strengh with 2 more judges

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @New Delhi

THE Supreme Court has regained its full strength of 34 judges with the Union Law Ministry notifying the appointments of Gauhati High Court Chief Justice Sudhanshu Dhulia and Gujarat High Court's Justice Jamshed Burjor Pardiwala to the Supreme Court.

The five-member SC Collegium headed by Chief Justice NV Ramana had recommended the two names on May 5. The two judges will take oath early next week.

Justice Dhulia, who will be the second judge to be elevated from Uttarakhand, hails from Madanpur, a remote village in Pauri Garhwal district of Uttarakhand. He will have a tenure of a little over three years and will retire in 2025.

His father Justice Keshev Chandra Dhuliya was a judge at Allahabad High Court and grandfather Bhairav Dutt Dhulia was a freedom fighter, who was sentenced to seven years in jail during the Quit India Movement. Justice Dhulia's elder brother Himanshu Dhulia is a retired naval officer and the younger, Tigmanshu Dhulia, is a national award-winning film director.

Justice Dhulia was born on 10 August, 1960, in Lansdowne and had his early education in Dehradun and Allahabad. He is an alumni of Sainik School, Lucknow, and University of Allahabad, from where he did his graduation and law.

He joined the bar at Allahabad High Court in 1986 and shifted to his home state Uttarakhand on its formation in 2000. He was the first Chief Standing Counsel in the High Court of Uttarakhand and was later an Additional Advocate General for the State. He was elevated as a judge in Uttarakhand High Court in November 2008.

Justice Pardiwala is fourth generation legal professional in a family of lawyers. Born on August 12, 1965, in Mumbai, he did his schooling in St. Joseph Convent School in his hometown Valsad in Gujarat. He graduated from the J P Arts College, Valsad and obtained law degree from the K.M. Mulji Law College, Valsad, in 1988.

Justice Pardiwala started practicing law in the Gujarat High Court in 1990. He was elected as a member of the Bar Council of Gujarat in 1994. He was appointed as the Standing Counsel for the HC in 2002 and held the office till the date of his elevation to the Bench in February 2011.

Fourth Parsi to become SC judge, Justice Pardiwala will go on to become the Chief Justice of India in 2028 and will have a tenure of two years.

LACKING LUSTRE

US SANCTIONS BEGIN TO BITE SURAT DIAMOND TRADERS

DILIP SINGH KSHATRIYA @Ahmedabad

AMERICAN merchants are demanding a declaration from Surat diamond traders saying the polished material is not from Russia. The American clients have threatened to "ban" traders who sell them polished stones that originate from Russia.

About 30% of all imported raw, or rough diamonds imported into India come from Russia, with a lion's share coming to Surat for further processing. Following US sanctions on Russia over the latter's invasion of Ukraine, the diamond-polishing sector is taking a massive hit.

Naimesh Pachhigar, a diamond trader, said, "The US government has issued a circular to local American traders asking them to check the origin of diamonds before buying or selling them. The circular states that if the origin of the diamonds is Russia, then don't accept them."

This has led to panic in the diamond market. Rough diamonds were originally provided by Russian company Alrosa, which accounts for 28% of the global diamond mining. "Alrosa is the world's largest diamond mining company, and is the source of the metal for traders in Gujarat. "Every diamond trader in India will be affected as there is a shortage of rough diamonds after the war," Pachhigar said.

A media statement from the US Department of the Treasury's Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) said the OFAC has designated Alrosa, a Russian state-owned enterprise (SOE) and the world's largest diamond mining company, which is also responsible for 90% of Russia's diamond mining capacity.

The Department of State also re-designated joint stock company United Shipbuilding Corporation, as well as its subsidiaries and board members. The USC is a Russian SOE that develops and constructs a majority of the Russian military's warships, likely including many of those used to bombard Ukraine's cities and harm Ukraine's citizens.

Through these designations, the Treasury is "cutting off additional sources of support and revenue for the government of the Russian Federation to wage its unprovoked war against Ukraine."

"These sanctions will continue to apply pressure to key entities that enable and fund Russia's unprovoked war against Ukraine," said Brian Nelson, Under Secretary of the Treasury for Terrorism and Financial Intelligence.

"American buyers have refused to buy finished diamonds that started as raw ones mined in Russia," said Dinesh Navadiya, Gujarat Region chairman of Gem Jewellery Export Promotion Council.

In prez poll outreach to Nitish, BJP all set to change Bihar in-charge

RAMASHANKAR @New Delhi

THE BJP is ready to mollify Nitish Kumar, who recently appeared to have given some anxious moments to the Bihar ally by his 'iftar' gesture. Ahead of the presidential elections due in July, the senior partner in the ruling NDA is ready to change the state party in-charge: it is going to be BJP's **Dharmendra Pradhan**, Nitish's favourite, replacing Bhupendra Yadav.

The proposed replacement is aimed at improving the BJP's ties with the Bihar CM as both Pradhan and Nitish share good rapport. Nitish's JD-U support is crucial for the victory of the NDA nominee in the Presidential election, BJP sources said.

Nitish is reportedly miffed with Bhupendra Yadav's silence over state BJP leaders' frequent pinpricks against him. The situation has come to such a pass that party MP Chhedi Paswan has demanded that a BJP leader should be CM for the remaining two-and-a-half-year tenure of the NDA rule in the state.

Nitish had earlier accused Bhupendra Yadav of conspiring against him and propping up Union Minister of State for Home Nityanand Rai as the BJP's chief ministerial candidate. Both Yadav and Rai belong to the same community. "Bhupendra Yadav and Nitish are not on good terms these days. Moreover, the BJP's humiliating defeat in the Bocha-ha by-election is seen as a result of the lack of coordination between the two allies," said a senior BJP leader.

Pradhan visited Patna after Nitish skipped a meeting of chief ministers called by the Union Law Ministry in Delhi early this week. The state BJP leaders had no inkling of his visit to Patna.

It is expected that Pradhan would be able to 'normalise' the relationship as none of them can afford to allow their ideological differences to reach a flashpoint. Pradhan was a Rajya Sabha member from Bihar and the BJP's election in-charge for 2019 Lok Sabha and the state polls.

BJP too plans session for next round of polls

RAJESH KUMAR THAKUR @New Delhi

THE BJP's two-day Jaipur meet in Congress-ruled Rajasthan beginning May 20 will shape up the party's strategy for the assembly polls due next year. Prime Minister Modi will attend the meeting virtually, party sources said.

Senior leaders and office-bearers from all states are expected to attend the meeting. It will be chaired by party chief JP Nadda. Home Minister Amit Shah, BL Santosh and Arun Kumar. will also attend.

"A blueprint of the strategy is ready to be discussed. The party will take feedback from leaders and office-bearers from other states such as poll-bound Gujarat, Himachal Pradesh, Karnataka and Rajasthan," said a party source.

The Congress too is holding a three-day 'chintan shivir' in Udaipur ahead of the Gujarat and Himachal Pradesh polls due later this year.

"The May 20-21 sessions have been organised on various political issues for wider deliberations. The prime objective of the Jaipur meeting is to chalk out a foolproof blueprint of strategies in which the leaders and the office-bearers are expected to share their suggestions," said a source.

When asked why the party has decided to hold the meeting in Congress- ruled Rajasthan, a BJP leader said, "Whatever we (BJP) do has a message for both the opposition as well as the people. The Congress should know the BJP is prepared to dislodge it in the elections."

"The major focus at the Jaipur meet will be on increased social media activity and a scale-up in the outreach programmes in the interiors of states dominated by SC/ST and OBCs," said a BJP MP.

Cong busy making Chintan Shivir prep

RAJESH ASNANI @Jaipur

PREPARATIONS are going on at a war footing for the Congress Chintan Shivir in Udaipur in Rajasthan from May 13 to 15. With over 500 Congress leaders from across the country arriving, including party president Sonia Gandhi, Rahul Gandhi and Priyanka Gandhi Vadra, the local police and administration are on their toes making security arrangements.

Also, Rajasthan Congress is busy arranging accommodations for the visiting leaders in hotels, and resorts and the selection of campsites. The guests will be treated in a Rajasthani style and special care is being taken for their taste buds with a special focus on Rajasthani cuisine.

Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot's trusted lieutenants have been assigned to take care of the entire management.

CM Gehlot will reach Udaipur on May 11 to finalise the preparations for the Shivir. According to sources, the camp will be organised at Ananta Hotel from May 13 as it has a hall with a seating capacity of 1000 people. For the entire event, 176 rooms have been booked in Hotel Taj Aravali, and 120-120 rooms in Ananta and Aurika Hotels will be booked for senior Congressmen arriving for the Shivir. In case all the 249 rooms in Ananta become available, then arrangements may be changed.

Rajasthan Congress has arranged 100 four-wheelers and 20 buses to transport over 500 politicians coming for the Chintan Shivir. Two security agencies inspected the hall at Ananta Resort and sent a report to the government. There is also talk of organising the event at Taj Aravali but the picture of the campsite will be clear on May 11.

Warring shows door to Patiala Maharani

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Chandigarh

PUNJAB Congress president Amarinder Singh Raja Warring on Saturday said Patiala MP and wife of former CM Amarinder Singh, Preneet Kaur, is no more in the party. The grand old party had in November last year served her a show-cause notice for "anti-party activities".

Kaur had not campaigned for Congress in the recent Assembly election and had instead supported her husband who contested the poll in alliance with the BJP. She also attended a campaign meeting of the saffron party and sought votes for Amarinder Singh who is the chief of Punjab Lok Congress.

In a statement after the first Congress Legislative Party meeting, Warring said: "As the PPCC chief, I am announcing that Preneet Kaur is not part of the Punjab Congress."

When enquired about Kaur's position in the party, CLP leader Partap Singh Bajwa tried to avoid the question. "It is not in my domain as the state party president is the right person to answer this question. He looks after the affairs of the party."

TRAIN RUNS OVER CAMEL

A Shatabdi Express train was left stranded for two hours after body parts of a camel that walked on to the track got stuck in the engine following a collision in Madhya Pradesh on Saturday

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INDIA	Max	Min		Max	Min
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Bhopal	43	28	Panaji	33	29
Jaipur	42	28	Patna	35	28
Amritsar	41	26	Lucknow	37	27
Chennai	38	30	Port Blair	31	28
Kolkata	34	26	Imphal	32	18
Srinagar	29	09	Chandigarh	46	28

JAI SHRI RAM TO JAI MAA DURGA

Amit Shah hints at using Durga Puja as means to invigorate factionalism-hit Bengal BJP

Close to Didi, says Dada after hosting Shah

After hosting Amit Shah, BCCI president Sourav Ganguly on Saturday disclosed his close relation with Mamata Banerjee, who is a strident critic of the BJP. "I know chief minister Mamata Banerjee for long time. She is very close to me. I had approached her to help to build up this healthcare institute," said Ganguly at the inauguration of a private hospital in Kolkata. Analysts say Ganguly is trying to maintain good terms with the Centre and state govt

Union Home Minister Amit Shah having dinner at BCCI president Saurav Ganguly's house in Kolkata on Friday

CHANDAN NANDY @ New Delhi

FACED with a seemingly invincible Mamata Banerjee and her Trinamool Congress, which crushed the BJP in the 2021 Bengal Assembly elections, Union Home Minister Amit Shah appears to have found in Goddess Durga a new means to exhort his partymen in the state, where infightings are sapping their energy.

Following Shah's two-day visit to Bengal, the first since the BJP's drubbing, the Union Home Ministry issued an unusually lengthy press release in Hindi dedicated to the minister's visions of Durga and her mythical powers.

Speaking as the chief guest at a culture ministry-organised programme on Unesco having given 'Intangible Cultural Heritage' tag to Durga Puja, in Kolkata's iconic Victorial Memorial, Shah said "the entire country has deep respect for Bengal's Durga Puja", that "for thousands of years India has been flowing like one cultural river" and that "for thousands of years our cultural has been eternal".

The Victoria Memorial event was marked by BCCI president and former Indian cricket captain Sourav Ganguly's wife Dona Ganguly's dance and vocalists Surendra and Soumyajit's recitals.

The home minister's effusive praise for India's cultural heritage and the attempt to link Durga with it is akin to the BJP's appropriation of Ram Navami celebrations soon after it assumed power at the Centre in 2014. Observing and celebrating Ram Navami, which was always a non-event across Bengal, has assumed militant proportions over the years.

Reacting sharply to Shah's speech, TMC Rajya Sabha MP Jawhar Sircar told this newspaper: "They tried to use the Victoria Memorial on Netaji's birthday last year. My sources tell me that crores were spent that day. It was an attempt to appropriate Netaji at a hallowed spot which is being sought to be used as a party den. Not even the Left Front had misused the Victoria Memorial."

Sircar said Shah's speech on Durga Puja is "yet another attempt by the BJP to appropriate a symbol of Bengal". "It is a festival of Bengal and has always been above politics and religion. It is much too participative a festival. It has never been a deeply religious, sacramental ceremony. Hinduism is not a cow for them to milk".

In the past, the Trinamool Congress has alleged that the BJP has been seeking to use the Durga Puja for political-electoral ends. In October 2020, PM Modi had virtually inaugurated a few puja marquees across Kolkata and addressed the people of Bengal.

TMC, BJP spar over credibility of autopsy

PRANAB MONDAL @ Kolkata

THE death of a BJP youth leader in Kolkata has turned into a bitter political fight with the ruling TMC questioning the credibility of the autopsy conducted on the orders of the Calcutta High Court.

Hours after Union Home Minister Amit Shah accused the Trinamool Congress of "murdering" the BJP functionary, the ruling party hit out at Shah saying he tried to influence the investigation.

Firhad Hakim, a minister in the Mamata's cabinet, expressed his doubt over the findings of the deceased's post-mortem conducted at the Army's Command Hospital following an order by the Calcutta High Court. "How could the Union home minister opine that Arjun Chowrasia was a victim of political murder? Even the autopsy was not conducted when he issued such a statement," he said.

Hakim said that before autospy was performed, Shah made his opinion public. "I express my doubt on the findings of the post-mortem," he said.

The BJP hit back at Hakim asking how the TMC leader could describe Chowrasia's death as suicide. "The condition of the body and other apparent evidences clearly indicated he was murdered," said BJP's Dilip Ghosh.

OUTFIT SEEKS BAN ON NON-HINDUS AT NARMADA GHATS

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Bhopal

FORGET the viral videos of Hindu women taking pledge to boycott Muslim shops or a DJ vehicle appealing not to trade with Muslims in Madhya Pradesh. In Jabalpur district of the same BJP-ruled central Indian state, a Hindu outfit leader has demanded a ban on the entry of non-Hindus on the ghats of Narmada in the entire district.

Yogesh Agrawal, state president of the saffron outfit Hindu Dharma Sena, has accused non-Hindus of "polluting the holiness" of the river by venturing into it wearing shoes and slippers.

"They also make indecent remarks and indulge in eve teasing of Hindu women and girls bathing in Narmada at ghats in Jabalpur. This will not be tolerated at any cost. We demand that the government to ban the entry of non-Hindus on the entire Narmada riverbank and ghats in Jabalpur," Agrawal was seen demanding in a video. The Hindu outfit leader made the demand following a viral video which showed some boys and youths being chased away and hit with sticks for bathing in the river wearing slippers at the Jilehari Ghat.

According to Jabalpur district police sources the video could date back to Tuesday, when Eid coincided with Akshaya Tritiya and Parashurama Jayanti.

According to Jabalpur police superintendent Siddharth Bahuguna, there was no complaint from anyone on the matter. "We're ensuring that no one vitiates the tranquillity in Jabalpur city and district," the police officer said.

COOKING NON-VEG TOO ATTRACT TROUBLE

A police official in Jabalpur said there were rumours about some non-Hindus cooking non-vegetarian food at Jilehari Ghat, but on reaching there it was found that "some Hindu youths were cooking vegetarian food".

SHORT CIRCUIT

Seven charred to death as fire engulfs Indore bldg

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bhopal

SEVEN residents of a two-storeyed residential building in Indore were killed in a fire in early morning on Saturday. The blaze, possibly triggered by an electric short circuit, killed the tenants in their sleep.

The deceased included a couple who was living there to oversee construction of own house in the neighbourhood, a college student from Jhansi, a working professional woman from Dewas, a liquor shop employee and an employee of the adjoining city bus depot.

One of the deceased had moved into one of the flats just two days back.

According to DCP-East Indore Sampat Upadhyaya, the police came to know about the fire around 3 am, when one of the neighbours rang the emergency response service.

Fire tenders and police personnel rushed to the spot, but by then the fire had gutted the ground floor and spread to other parts of the building.

The fire emanated possibly out of short circuit in the main electricity supply panel on the ground floor and found enough fuel in vehicles parked on the same floor to spread to other parts. While those living on the ground floor died due to severe burns, most of others were suffocated to death due to heavy smoke. There was no fire safety measure in the entire building, the police said.

Wanted party chiefs, please apply

Post polls big BJP, defeated SP, Cong on the margins go headless

NAMITA BAJPAI @ Lucknow

EVEN though the general election of 2024 is approaching, the Uttar Pradesh units of key political parties, including the BJP, Congress, Aam Aadmi Party and Rashitriya Lok Dal, are functioning headless. Even two months after the Assembly election in the state, confabulations over the names of prospective state chiefs are still going on as the new appointees would play a crucial role in the accomplishment of 'Mission 2024'.

Some OBC sections stay away from BJP

In the Assembly poll, BJP got support of Brahmins, Thakurs and SC/STs but a few OBC sections drifted away. One of the tallest OBC leaders of the party Keshav Maurya lost from his traditional Sirathu seat to another OBC leader Dr Pallavi Patel, who fought on SP symbol

In the BJP, Swatantra Dev Singh, a prominent OBC face, continues to hold the fort for the saffron brigade till a new appointment is made as the party follows the 'one man-one-post' principal. Singh has been inducted into the cabinet 2.0 as a minister.

As per its track record, the BJP goes into the Lok Sabha poll with a Brahmin face helming the organisation in UP while for Assembly polls it goes with an OBC face. As per highly placed sources in the BJP, discussions are on over the probables, keeping in mind the caste equations. While the BJP has already given a message to Brahmins by appointing Brajesh Pathak as the deputy CM, the names of other Brahmin leaders are doing the rounds for the state chief's post. Those like BL Verma (Lodh), Vidya Sagar Sonkar (SC), Bhanu Verma (SC) are also under consideration.

In the Congress, which tasted the worst ever defeat in its political history in UP in the 2022 polls, the UP Congress chief Ajay Kumar Lallu had quit owning up the decimation. Congress has been weighing different options, including appointment of four working presidents along with the main UPCC chief, to revive the party in UP. Names like former RS MP Pramod Tiwari, former UPCC chief Nirmal Khatri, Nadeem Javed, PL Punia, Rajesh Mishra and Pramod Krishnam are said to be under consideration.

AAP had dissolved its state committee since the conclusion of Assembly polls. Party UP in-charge and RS MP Sanjay Singh had dissolved all the district and city committees and various cells. Party workers have been asked to give further push to ongoing membership drive but the decision on state chief is pending.

Even RLD chief Jayant Chadhury had dissolved party's working committee on March 14. This was followed by a revolt by party state chief Dr Masood Ahmad who had resigned from the party's primary membership. After the resignation of Ahmad, RLD has yet to name a state chief.

WOOING BID

Cong posters welcome Azam Khan to party

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Lucknow

THE differences between Samajwadi Party's Rampur MLA Azam Khan and the party leadership has given the Congress an opportunity to woo the SP stalwart who has been in Sitapur Jail since February 2020.

Posters have surfaced in Prayagraj welcoming Khan to the grand old party. The posters issued by a local Congress leader Irshad Ullah also show the pictures of Priyanka Gandhi Vadra, Acharya Pramod Krishnam, Azam Khan, senior Congress leader Baba Abhay Awasthi and Ullah himself.

Notably, Acharya Pramod had met Khan recently. However, Congress leaders in Lucknow sought to distance themselves from the posters saying it could be a personal view. "Khan is a senior leader of the state. It is unfortunate that BJP is committing atrocities on such a stalwart and ironically his own party has failed to support him," a senior Congress leader in the state capital.

Policemen use mobile phones to conduct a videography survey outside the Gyanvapi Masjid in Varanasi on Friday | PTI

Protests halt Gyanvapi videography

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Lucknow

THE survey and videography of the Maa Shringar Gauri site on the premises of Gyanvapi Mosque in Varanasi was stalled amid protests against the surveyor on Saturday.

Meanwhile, on a petition filed by the mosque management seeking removal of the court-appointed advocate commissioner conducting the survey, civil judge (senior division) Ravi Kumar Diwakar fixed May 9 as the next date for hearing.

Notably, the court-appointed advocate commissioner Ajay Kumar Mishra is supposed to submit his report on the status of Maa Shringar Gauri Sthal on May 10.

The survey of some of the areas outside Gyanvapi Masjid was stalled after the team of lawyers, who had to accompany the advocate commissioner, were denied entry inside the mosque on Saturday.

The Anjuman Intejamiya Masajid, which manages the mosque, had opposed the local court's order stating that it would not let "non-believers" enter the mosque premises and that it was ready to face the consequences.

It may be recalled that a local court had issued directives for the survey and videography of Maa Shringar Gauri Sthal on May 6 and 7. The process had commenced on Friday amid tight security arrangements and deployment of heavy police contingent.

Earlier on Saturday, a Varanasi court had ordered the continuation of the process outside Gyanvapi Masjid.

BJP leaders endorse Ganguly's party entry

Amid strong buzz of Saurav Ganguly's entry in politics following Amit Shah's dinner at his home, BJP's national vice-president Dilip Ghosh said if the former skipper of the Indian cricket team ventures into politics, he would be welcome. "Personalities from different segments are always welcome. I cannot say what exactly Ganguly will do," said Ghosh. Vaishali Dalmiya, the daughter of former Indian cricket administrator Jagmohan Dalmiya who joined the BJP, said the saffron camp would always welcome Ganguly if he decides to join the party. Ganguly, however, described Shah's visit to his house a courtesy which had nothing to do with the politics in Bengal.

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KOLKATA DIARY

Private schools urged to switch to online mode

The state government wrote to the heads of all private schools in Kolkata requesting them to conduct online classes, instead of in-person classes, because of the heat spell in south Bengal. The request came after a meeting with the principals of private schools in which the state education department requested to either switch to online classes or bring forward their summer vacation break. During the meeting, a state government official reminded the heads of private schools about the government circular which was issued last month announcing early summer vacation break. A number of schools already sent notices to parents informing them of the change in the mode of classes.

Civic body mulls maintenance fees for city markets

The Kolkata Municipal Corporation (KMC) started a survey of its 40-odd markets to find ways to introduce maintenance fees, officials of the civic body said. Shop owners at these markets now only pay rent and the KMC takes care of the maintenance. From June, the civic body wants the market committees to take up the responsibility of maintaining the markets or pay the KMC for the services. As part of the survey, teams from the KMC are collecting details like the number of shop owners in each market, size of the shops, the number of guards deployed at the gates, the size of the common area and the number of washrooms on the premises.

Nagaland CM not to play ball with saffron friends

PRASANTA MAZUMDAR @ Guwahati

THE BJP has conquered the northeast over the past few years but Nagaland refuses to give complete power, thanks to Chief Minister **Neiphiu Rio.**

With less than a year left for the state to go to elections, Rio, 70, has made his intentions clear that his Nationalist Democratic Progressive Party (NDPP), which heads the state's ruling United Democratic Alliance (UDA), wants to avoid dependence on ally BJP.

UDA chairman and former CM T R Zeliang said he along with 20 Naga People's Front (NPF) legislators had joined the NDPP to "debar a third party" from taking advantage in Nagaland politics. The third party is understandably the BJP. The NDPP's ties with the BJP have remained strained for the past year over the latter's alleged attempt to topple the Rio government. It became conspicuous when Rio stripped Deputy CM Y Patton – of the BJP – of an important portfolio.

Insiders in the UDA blamed Patton and some BJP leaders close to him for the turmoil. They said Patton had been for long aspiring to become the CM. The BJP had allegedly maintained a close rapport with the NPF, much to the chagrin of Rio.

So, Rio first accommodated the NPF in the UDA in September last year, making it an "all-party government". As the threat remained, he allegedly played a key role in the split in the regional party last week. Of the total 25, 21 NPF legislators defected to the NDPP.

Congress seeks session over MP power crisis

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bhopal

THE opposition Congress has demanded convening a special session of the Madhya Pradesh Vidhan Sabha over the deepening "power crisis" in the state. The newly appointed Leader of Opposition (LoP) Dr Govind Singh wrote a letter to the chief minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan on Saturday, seeking the convening of a two days special session of the Vidhan Sabha over the power crisis.

"The power crisis is deepening due to scarcity of coal and it's mismanagement. The thermal power plants in the state are on the verge of closure, three out of the four plants of the MP Power Generating Company are in crisis situation," Singh wrote.

Singh further claimed that unscheduled power cuts in urban and rural areas are taking a toll on irrigation and also on supply of drinking water across the state.

"The state has invited tenders to import 7.5 lakh MT coal which exposes the hollowness of government claims about the power situation and coal supply being under control. Also, the power consumers are getting inflated ebills, despite not getting adequate supply," Singh. "This is why I've written for convening Vidhan Sabha's two-days special session to discuss the power situation," he maintained.

The development came just a day after Congress MLA Priyavrat Singh, former power minister, had accused the Shivraj Singh Chouhan government of misleading people about the power situation in the state.

80
houses collapsed in Khuzdar district when a 5.2 magnitude earthquake struck Pakistan's Balochistan province

GLOBAL WEATHER

LR: Light Rain • HR: Heavy Rain • SW: Snow • TDS: Thundershower • LC: Light Cloud • SNY: Sunny

Beijing	13	8	LR	Los Angeles	20	12	LC
Colombo	31	27	LC	Melbourne	16	7	LC
Dhaka	34	27	SNY	Moscow	18	7	LR
Dubai	38	27	SNY	New York	13	7	LC
Houston	34	24	LC	Singapore	31	28	TDS
Istanbul	18	10	SNY	Toronto	12	7	SNY
London	18	6	LC	Washington	10	6	LC

Russia steps up Ukraine assault

ZAPORIZHZHIA

UKRAINE hoped to evacuate more civilians from a besieged Mariupol steel plant on Saturday as Russian forces unleased new bombardments across the country ahead of Victory Day festivities in Moscow.

The Azovstal steel mill is the last pocket of Ukrainian resistance in the devastated port city and its fate has taken on a symbolic value in the broader battle unleashed by Russia's invasion.

Ukraine's defence minister said Russian forces had resumed their assault on the site, despite earlier talk of a truce to allow trapped civilians to flee the complex.

Vice Prime Minister Iryna Vereshchuk said rescuers would try to evacuate more civilians on Saturday.

On Monday, Moscow and President Vladimir Putin will celebrate the World War II Soviet victory over Nazi Germany with a traditional Victory Day parade.

Russia's campaign in Ukraine has run into tough resistance — and provoked Kyiv's western allies into slapping massive economic sanctions on the Russian economy and Putin's inner circle.

But with Victory Day fast approaching, Ukrainian officials fear more intense missile and artillery bombardments and renewed assaults as Moscow scrambles for symbolic wins.

The Ukrainian rescue service said a missile hit a technical college in Kostiantynivka, in the eastern region of Donetsk, causing a fire and at least two deaths. Ukrainian forces have launched a counter-offensive of their own.

According to the defence ministry, Russian forces were forced to demolish three road bridges near Tsyrkuny and Ruski Tyshky outside Kharkiv, to slow the Ukrainian advance. According to British intelligence, Ukrainian forces equipped with high-end weaponry by the western allies, have been able to destroy at least one of Russia's most advanced tanks, the T-90M.

"The conflict in Ukraine is taking a heavy toll on some of Russia's most capable units and most advanced capabilities," UK Defence Intelligence said.

"It will take considerable time and expense for Russia to reconstitute its armed forces following this conflict," it said, warning sanctions on advanced components would make it harder for Russia to re-arm.

The west, meanwhile, is stepping up arms deliveries to Ukraine's defenders.

US President Joe Biden on Friday announced another package of military assistance worth $150 million, including counter-artillery radars used for detecting the source of enemy fire. This brings the total value of US weaponry sent to Ukraine since the Russian invasion began to $3.8 billion.

Biden had urged Congress to approve a further $33 billion package. *AFP*

Men who decided what women should wear: Taliban minister for Promotion of Virtue and Prevention of Vice Mohammad Khalid Hanafi speaks during the ceremony to decide on dress code for women | AFP

Taliban order Afghani women to cover up head to toe in public

KABUL

THE Taliban on Saturday imposed some of the harshest restrictions on Afghanistan's women since they seized power, ordering them to cover fully in public, ideally with the traditional burqa.

The militants took back control of the country in August last year, promising a softer rule than their previous stint in power between 1996 and 2001, which was marked by human rights abuses.

But they have already imposed a slew of restrictions on women — banning them from many government jobs, secondary education, and from travelling alone outside their cities.

On Saturday, Afghanistan's supreme leader and Taliban chief Hibatullah Akhundzada approved a strict dress code for women when they are in public.

A decree said the best way for a woman to cover her face and body was to wear the chadari, a traditional, blue, all-covering Afghan burqa.

"They should wear a chadari as it is traditional and respectful," said the decree approved by Akhundzada and released by Taliban authorities at a ceremony in Kabul.

"Those women who are not too old or young must cover their face, except the eyes, as per sharia directives, in order to avoid provocation when meeting men who are not mahram (adult close male relatives)," it said.

Akhundzada's decree also said that if women had no important work outside then it was "better they stay at home". *AFP*

Lanka prez faces flak over emergency

COLOMBO

EMBATTLED Sri Lankan President Gotabaya Rajapaksa has faced flak from the Opposition and foreign envoys for his decision to impose a state of emergency for a second time in just over a month.

President Rajapaksa declared a state of emergency with effect from Friday midnight amid growing countrywide anti-government protests over the unprecedented economic crisis.

The state of emergency gives the police and the security forces sweeping power to arbitrarily arrest and detain people.

The country's human rights body, the main lawyers' organisation, the Opposition and even some members of the diplomatic community criticised the government for its move.

The Human Rights Commission of Sri Lanka said it was deeply concerned about the promulgation of an emergency.

"We urge the government to explain to the public the reasons for this proclamation since protests have been largely peaceful and within the ambit of normal police operations," it said in a statement. The Canadian High Commissioner in Colombo David McKinnon tweeted, "Over the past weeks, the demonstrations across Sri Lanka have overwhelmingly involved citizens enjoying their right to peaceful freedom of expression, and are a credit to the country's democracy. It's hard to understand why it is necessary, then, to declare a state of emergency." *PTI*

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PUBLIC NOTICE - TENDER CUM AUCTION FOR SALE OF SECURED ASSET

[See proviso to rule 8(6)]

Notice for sale of immovable assets

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

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(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	(F)	(G)
1.	Mr. Ashoka Chinnaswamy Raju (Borrower) Mrs. Veena Ashoka Raju (Co-Borrower) Loan Account Number LBBNG00005158695	All That Piece and Parcel of Residential Apartment Bearing Nos.003 & 004 on The Ground Floor Of The Multi- Storied Building Known as "Sankeshwaar Crystal", Constructed and Erected on Property Bearing Composite Municipal No.22 (Earlier Bearing Portion of Old No.3, Then 23, Municipal Nos.5,6 & 7), BBMP Katha No.22, Pid No.50-33-22, Situated at New School Road, VV Puram, in Bbmp Ward No.50 (VV Puram), Bangalore With Details and other Attributes Mentioned Hereunder: Undivided Share in: 600 Sq. Ft., in The A Schedule 'A' Property Land. Super Built-up area: 1200 Sq. Ft., Including Proportionate Share of Common area With The Floors, Balcony, Ceiling and Walls Between Apartments Jointly Belonging to Such Apartment owners Equally With Carpet Area Measuring 3360 Sq. Ft., Garden area: 600 Sq. Ft., Car Parking: Four Car Parking Spaces	Rs. 4,39,15,705.31/- (as on April 30, 2022)	Rs. 4,51,00,000/- / Rs. 45,10,000/-	May 12, 2022 from 11:00 AM to 02:00 PM	May 30, 2022 from 11:00 AM to 12:00PM

The online auction will be conducted on website **(URL Link- www.disposalhub.com)** of our auction agency **M/s NexXen Solutions Private Limited.** The Mortgagors/ noticee are given a last chance to pay the total dues with further interest till **May 27, 2022** before **05:00 PM** else these secured assets will be sold as per above schedule.

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SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES "APPENDIX- IV-A [See proviso to Rule 6 (2) & 8 (6)]

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Sr/Lot No.	Name & address of Borrower/s /Guarantor/ s/ Mortgagor (s)	Detailed description of the immovable properties with known encumbrances, if any	Branch Name/Total Dues.	Date & Time of E-auction	Reserve Price, EMD amount, Bid Increase Amount. EMD Submitting A/c Details	Status of Possession (Constructive/ Physical)	Property Inspection date & Time
1	**1).M/s. Sapthagiri Constructions** Prop:Mr. Mohan D S S/o Late Subramanya Naidu, No.51, 2nd Main, Spoorthy Nagar, Arehalli Near Skanda College,Uttarahalli, Bengaluru-560061 **2). Sri D Subramanya Naidu Deceased represented by his legal heirs: 1) Mr.Mohan D S** S/o.Subramanya Naidu (Deceased), No.51, 2nd Main, Spoorthy Nagar, Arehalli, Near skanda College, Uttarahalli, Bangaluru -560061, 2).Mrs. Meena W/o Mohan D S , No.51, 2nd Main, Spoorthy Nagar, Arehalli Near Skanda College,Uttarahalli, Bangaluru -560061, **3).Ms. Usha R,** D/o D. Subramanya Naidu, No.151, Nanda Kumar, Layout, Ittamadu Main Road, Bangaluru - 560061	All that piece and parcel of the property bearing No.51, Katha No.20/14 to 20/18, situated at Arehalli Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, measuring East to West 30ft and North to South 40ft, totally measuring 1200 sq ft. and Bounded By: East: Site No.50, West: Site No.52, North: Site No.24, South : Road.	BRANCH : Brigade Road (Trinity Circle) Tel No.080-25584064, E-Mail: brigad@bankofbaroda.co.in Rs.44,78,607/- (Forty Four Lakhs Seventy Eight Thousand Six Hundred Seven Only) as on 30.04.2022 further interest and charges applicable. A/c No: 06650600003329- Rs:16,75,015/- A/c No: 06650600003400- Rs.9,61,911/- A/c No.0665050000099- Rs.18,41,681/-	30/05/2022 and From 02:00 PM to 06:00 PM	Reserve Price: Rs. 1,01,00,000/ EMD Amount: Rs. 10,10,000/-. BID Increase Amount: Rs.25,000/-	Physical	With prior Appointment from Authorized officer
2	**M/s. Bimban Industries Private Limited,** Regd. Office:No.22, Biplab Rash Behari Bose Road (Canning Street), 4th Floor, Room No.41, Kolkata-700001. **Administrative Office:** No.38, AECS Layout, 2nd Main, Sanjaynagar, Bangalore-560094. **Represented by its Directors: (Directors & Guarantor) 1) Mrs. Sujata Generiwala** #101, Sunder Enclave, 5th Main Road, 14th Cross, HIG Colony, RMV 2nd Stage, Bangalore-560094. **(Director & Guarantor) (2) Mr. Shwtank Generiwala,** #301, Nidri Building, No.30 Raja Santhosh Road, Alipore Kolkata-700027. **3) Mr. Srinivas N,** #24-1, Salarpuradamma, Extn. Sunkadakatte, Bangalore-560091. (Gaurantor) **(4) Mr. Jayaram N,** # No.21/1,14th Cross, Hegganahalli Main Road, Sallarpuradamma Extn. Sunkadakatte, Bangalore-560091.	**Property-1:** Mortgage of all that piece and parcel of the immovable property situated at Northern Portion of the property bearing No.4, Assessment No.2, measuring East to West 100 ft and North to South 100 feet totally measuring 10,000 sq ft situated at Srigandhada Kaval Village, Yeshwanthpura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk. The said property is standing in the name of Mr. N. Srinivas, and bounded on the On the East by: Property belonging to Mr.Shivakumar, On the West by: Property belonging to Mr. N. Hanumantha, On the North by: Road, On the South by: Property belonging to Mr. Jayaram, **Property-2:** Mortgage of all that piece and parcel of the immovable property situated at Southern Portion of the property bearing No.4, Assessment No.2, measuring East to West 100 ft and North to South 50 feet totally measuring 5,000 Sq, ft situated at Srigandhada Kaval Village, Yeshwanthapura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk. The said property is standing in the name of Mr.Jayaram, and bounded on the On the East by: Property belonging to Mr.Shivakumar On the West by: Property belonging to Mr.Kamalesh and N Hanumantha, On the North by: Property belonging to Mr. N. Srinivas ,On the South by: Road.	K.G.Road Branch Phone: .Phone: .22268106 Email: bangal@bankofbaroda.com Rs. 3,91,59,293.78 /- as on date 11/03/2022 plus interest from 30/05/2020 and cost and other charges	30/05/2022 and From 02:00 PM to 06:00 PM	Reserve Price: Rs. 5,15,16,000/- EMD Amount: Rs.51,51,600/- BID Increase Amount: Rs.25,000/-	Physical	With prior Appointment from Authorized officer
3	**(1). M/s. Sree Saradhee Enterprises, Prop: Mr. D. Parthasarathy,** No. 117/2, Sy. No. 93 and 94, Rajgopal Nagar Main Road, Peenya 2nd Stage, Bangalore – 560058 **(2). Mr. D Parthasarathy, Prop: M/s. Sree Saradhee Enterprises,** No. 514, 1st Main, Rajgopal Nagar Main Road, Peenya 2nd Stage, Bangalore – 560058 **(3). Mrs. Sujatha Parthasarathy,** W/o. Mr. D. Parthasarathy, No. 514, 1st Main, Rajgopal Nagar Main Road, Peenya 2nd Stage, Bangalore – 560058 **(4). Mr. D Ramesh,** No. 174, Manukyamma Nilaya, 1st Main, 2nd Cross, Laggere, Rajgopal Nagar, Bangalore - 560058	**SCHEDULE A:** Immovable property No. 52, Khatha No. 130, Assessment No. 9/1 of Laggere Village, Yeshwanthpura Hobli, Bangalore, 1st Main, Now 2nd and 3rd Main Road, Kaveri Nagar, Kempanna Layout, Laggere, Bangalore – 560058, measuring East to West 30 Feet and North to South 40 Feet East by: Site No. 51, West by: Site No. 53, North by: Road, South by: Site No. 54 **SCHEDULE B:** Immovable Property No. 54, Khatha No. 290, Assessment No. 9/1 of Laggere Village, Yeshwanthpura Hobli, Bangalore, 1st Main, Now 2nd and 3rd Main Road, Kaveri Nagar Main Road, Kaveri Nagar, Kempanna Layout, Laggere, Bangalore – 560058. Measuring East to West 40 Feet and North to South 30 Feet East by: Site No. 55, West by: C A Site, North by: Site No. 52, South by: Road	K.G.Road Branch Phone: .22268106 Email: bangal@bankofbaroda.com Rs. 1,75,74,903.83 as on (Plus further interest and other charges)	30/05/2022 and From 02:00 PM to 06:00 PM	Reserve Price: Rs. 160,38,000 /- EMD: Rs.16,03,800/- Bid Increment Amount: Rs.50,000/-	Constructive	With prior Appointment from Authorized officer
4	**1). Mr. Dinesh S/o Jogu Poojary, Mrs. Smitha A Poojary W/o Dinesh** Ninge Mane, Vakwadi Village, Kundapua Taluk, Udupi District, Karnataka-576257.**2) Mr. Dinesh S/o Jogu Poojary, Mrs. Smitha A Poojary W/o Dinesh** 64,Maruthi Nilaya, 1st floor, North face, VAS GKVK Layout, ALLASANDRA, BANGALORE 560065. **3).Mr. Mahalinge Gowda H K S/o Kaveraiah** No.95, 10th Main, Attur Layout, Bangalore-560064 4).**Mahalinge Gowda, H.K. S/o Kaveraiah,** M.Hosuru, Kasaba Hobli, Kunigal (Rural), Tumkur, Karnataka Pin - 576257	**SCHEDULE A:** All that piece and parcel of the immovable property bearing Site Vakwadi Village of Kundapua Taluk, Udupi District-Kalavara Grama Panchayath Limit Muli Right, Sy No.65-52, Kissam Bhagayath, Extent 011, Assesment 1-05 (out of this land 0.10 cents is converted) and Sy No.65-34-NA-0-10 Acre and RDPR PID .No.15260020 4500250369, and bounded on East: Sy No.65-28 & 65-27, West: Sy No.65-25, North: Sy No.65-26A, South: Sy No.65-20A1	Branch Name: R C Road Email id: vjrcro@bankofbaroda.co.in Rs. 36,49,141/- as on 31/03/2021 (Plus further interest and other charges from 01/01/2020)	30/05/2022 and From 02:00 PM to 06:00 PM	Reserve Price: Rs.72,00,000 /- EMD:Rs. 7,20,000/- Bid Increment amount: Rs. 25,000/- EMD Submiting A/c. No. 73920015181869 Name : SARFAESI AUCTION PROCEEDS IFSC CODE: BARB0VJRCRO (5TH LETTER IS ZERO) Last Date and Time of Receipt of EMD Amount: 27/05/2022	Constructive	With Prior Appointment from Authorized officer
5	**1). Smt. Anitha G** D/o. Late C G Giridhar Rao, No. 190, 19th C Main Road, N Block, Rajajinagar, Bangalore – 560010 **2). Mr. Vignesh S Shishir,** S/O Smt Anitha Giridhar Rao, #190, 19th C Main Road, N Block, Rajajinagar , Bangaloere-560010	EMDTD of all that piece and parcel of the immovable property (Residential Site) Sarakki 4th Phase (Dollars Project) bearing Site No. 41, now within the jurisdiction of BBMP and bearing Municipal No. PID No. 57-320-41 situated at 2nd Main Road, 4th Phase Dollars Layout, J P Nagar, Bangalore, measuring East to West 18.30 meters, North to South 12.20 meters, and total measuring 223.26 Square Meters and bounded on: East by: Road, West by: Property of BDA, North by: Site No. 42, South by: Site No. 40	Branch Name: R C Road Email id: vjrcro@bankofbaroda.co.in Rs. 2,86,12,024/- (Rupees two crore eighty six lakh twelve thousand twenty four only) as on 31/01/2020 plus interest from 31/01/2020 and cost and other charges	30/05/2022 and From 02:00 PM to 06:00 PM	Reserve Price: Rs. 3,40,00,000/- EMD Amount: Rs.34,00,000/- BID Increase Amount: Rs.25000/- EMD amount to be credited to the following ac: A/c. No. 73920015181869 Name : SARFAESI AUCTION PROCEEDS IFSC CODE : BARB0VJRCRO (5TH LETTER IS ZERO) Last Date of EMD Amount : 29/05/2022	Vacant Site Physical	With Prior Appointment from Authorized officer
6	**Smt. Shantha w/o Dayanand S K, Proprietor: M/s Cauvery Steel Traders,** # 101, Opp. To Petrol Bunk, Magadi Main Road, Byadarahalli, Bangalore 560091 (Borrower), **1. Sri Dayananda S K s/o Krishnappa and 2. Vinay Kumar D s/o Dayanand S K** # 101, Opp. To Petrol Bunk, Magadi Main Road, Byadarahalli, Bangalore 560091 (Guarantors)	**Property No 1:** All that piece and parcel of Northern Portion of property bearing Site No. 110, New Khatha No. 752, Assessment No. 147/3, 147/11 and 147/3, situated at Herohali Village, Yeshwanthpura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk presently comes within the administrative jurisdiction of Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagar Palike having BBMP Khatha No. 110 in ward no. 72, measuring 1400 sq. ft. together with building constructed thereon, and bounded as follows: East by: Private Property, West by: Road, North by: Site No. 111, South by: Remaining portion of the same property no. 110 admeasuring 1400 sq. ft. standing in the name Smt. Shantha W/o: Dayanand S K **Property No 2:** All that part and parcel of the property bearing Site No. 7, Khatha No. 134, Assessment no. 149, situated at Herohalli Village, Yeshwanthpura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, PID no. 072-W0321-13, measuring East to West: 40 feet and North to South: 30 feet totally measuring 1200 sq. ft together with building constructed thereon and boundaries as follows: East: Site No. 4, West: Road, North: Site No. 6, South: Site No. 8.	Branch Name: Basaveshwaranagar Branch Email id: VJBASA@bankofbaroda.co.in Rs 3,06,05,538.18 (Rupees Three Crore Six Lakhs Five Thousand, Five Hundred Thirty Eight and Eighteen paisa only) as per Possession Notice dt. 25.11.2019 plus further interest and charges.	30/05/2022 and From 02:00 PM to 06:00 PM	Property No 1 Reserve Price: Rs.88,00,000.00 EMD Amount: Rs. 8,80,000.00 BID Increase Amount: Rs.50,000/- Property No 2 Reserve Price: Rs.78,00,000.00 EMD Amount: Rs. 7,80,000.00 BID Increase Amount: Rs. 50,000/-	Physical Possession	With Prior Appointment from Authorized officer
7	**1) M/s TAURUS PROMOTIONAL PRODUCTIONAL INC , PROP: Mr. T S SOUNDRARAJAN** #16, 1st floor 2nd cross, Krishna Reddy colony, Domlur layout Bangalore -560071, **2) Mr. S RAGHAVAN** No 142, 7th cross, 3rd main, Talacauvery Layout Basavanagar, Bangalore -560037	All that piece and parcel of the property in sy no 218/1, Situated in Kodihalli Village, Varthur hobli, HAS Board Area, Bangalore South Taluk, known as NO 616, New No 20, (PID No 74-92-20), Link Road, kodihalli Bangalore 560008 BBMP Ward No 74 and (New PID 088 -W0006-13) Property is in the name of T S Soundrarajan S/o Sri S Sheshadri. Total admeasuring 2200 sq. ft., East to west – 53 ft.North to South – 43 ft.+40ft./2, Bounded By: East : 15 ft Wide Road, West : Kullanna's Land North :Drain & Road, South : Choudri's Land	Branch Name: Overseas Branch Email id: VJOBAN@bankofbaroda.co.in Rs 82,47,054.74 (Rupees Eighty Two Lacs Forty Seven thousand Fifty Four And Paise Seventy four only), plus interest from 01.07.2021 plus applicable charges	30/05/2022 and From 02:00 PM to 06:00 PM	Rs.2,64,00,000.00 EMD 10% i.e. 26,40,000.00 BID increase amount by Rs 1.00 lac	Physical	With prior appointment from the Authorised Officer Mobile no. - 7897366366
8	**(1) Sri Sreedhar B J** S/o Jayaramu (Borrower), Site No 1/A, BBMP Khatha No 46/2/1A, 4th Main, Valagerahalli, Byrava Nagar, South side of Gnanabodhini High School, Dubasipalya, Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore 560059 **(2) Jayaramu** s/o Puttegowda (Guarantor), Site No 1/A, BBMP Khatha No 46/2/1A, 4th Main, Valagerahalli, Byrava Nagar, South side of Gnanabodhini High School, Dubasipalya, Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore 560059	Property bearing Site No 1/A, BBMP Khatha No 46/2/1A,4th Main, Byrava Nagar, Dubasipalya, Valagerahalli, Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore South Tq, Bangalore Extent East to West 25 ft, North to South 30 ft. Total 750 sq ft, East: Road, West: Property 6/A, North: BDA Property, South: Property of Lakshmana Gowda.	Branch Name: Mayohall Branch Email id: vjmayo@bankofbaroda.com Rs 55,43,305.00 (Rupees Fifty Five Lakhs forty three thousand three hundred five only) plus interest & other charges	30/05/2022 and From 02:00 PM to 06:00 PM	Reserve Price: Rs 54,00,000/- EMD Amount: Rs 5,40,000/- BID Increase Amount:Rs 25,000/-	Physical	21.05.2022 between 11.00 AM to 04.00 PM 080-25594873 Mobile No: +91-9880002956

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Date: 07.05.2022, Place: Bangalore **Sd/- Authorised Officer, Bank of Baroda**

150 KM Nitin Gadkari on Saturday said his aim is to develop at least one automobile scrapping facility within 150 km from each city centre, while asserting that the country has the potential to become a vehicle scrapping hub of the entire South Asian region.

Household budgets go up as cos plan price hikes to offset cost

FMCG giants like Hindustan Unilever, Britannia, Tata Consumer, Dabur raised prices of their products - ranging from biscuits, sugar, salt and soaps, among others

SAMIKSHA GOEL @ New Delhi

HOUSEHOLD budgets have been thrown into disarray as prices of essential products have increased. This is a cause of worry for the middle-class, which is bearing the maximum brunt, as the consumer goods companies that have not taken price hikes yet are planning a raise now, and companies that have already taken hikes are looking at another hike.

Global geopolitical factors such as Russia-Ukraine war and continued rise in commodity prices - wheat, palm oil and packaging materials - have aggravated the inflationary pressures in the quarter ended March, 2022, which has led many FMCG companies to raise prices to keep their margins and profitability intact.

Prices of household goods have increased with FMCG giants like Hindustan Unilever, Britannia, Tata Consumer Products, Dabur increasing prices of their products - range from biscuits, sugar, salt and tea/coffee to soaps, shampoos and perfumes, among others.

But the worst is not over yet! Varun Berry, managing director & CEO at Britannia Industries, at a post earnings analyst call earlier this week said, "We have not been able to keep pace with this inflation as we never estimated the kind of inflation we have seen, but we continue to take judicious price increases." Britannia, which has already taken a 10% hike in 2022, may go for another 10% raise over and above the revision taken if the spot prices continue for the next 12 months.

On low wheat production and palm oil concerns, Berry said, "This is a year where we really have to be on our toes and take calls on a month-to-month basis." "There's no way that any other activity can help with the pain that inflation is gonna give us, it will have to be price correction. While we will try to ensure that price hikes don't impact the consumer in a big way, we will have to take some tough calls," he added.

Britannia manufactures household names in India like Good Day, Tiger, NutriChoice, Milk Bikis and Marie Gold. Its product portfolio includes biscuits, bread, cakes, rusk, and dairy products - cheese, beverages, milk and yoghurt.

Another market leader Parle Products, which sells biscuits, snacks and cakes, among other products, and has already taken a price hike of nearly 8-10% during the past 12 months till March 2022, is planning to further increase prices by 7-8% for the current quarter, Krishnarao Buddha, senior category head at the company told The New Indian Express.

"We are looking at dealing with inflation by bringing in efficiencies in every possible area by cutting costs be it the product, packing or the manufacturing process and are trying hard to not increase prices as far as possible. Price hikes are being planned only if necessary," Buddha said.

Amnish Aggarwal - director - research at Prabhudas Lilladher notes that calibrated and gradual price hikes by FMCG companies are expected, going forward. "This could be in the form of grammage reduction in ₹2/5/10 packs and absolute increase in others. We also expect heightened focus on cost-cutting and internal efficiencies to protect margins. However, we expect margin pressure to sustain in the near term," Aggarwal said. Hindustan Unilever (HUL) increased prices by nearly 10% in Q4 and the CEO of the FMCG behemoth, Sanjeev Gupta, in a post-earnings call said, "As things stand today, there is going to be more price increase."

This would impact the price of Clinic plus, Close up, Bru, Dove, Glow & Lovely, Horlicks, Kissan, Lakme, Lipton, Lifebuoy, Pears, Lux, Surf excel, Rin, pepsodent, Vaseline, which are some of over 50-plus HUL brands that make their way into Indian households.

Amarnath Halember, executive director and CEO, NextG Apex, which is into breakfast and cereals and has sub-brand Naturefest and Mamafeast, says while FMCG companies make all attempts to absorb most price differences, a sharp increase is the only logical possibility in these circumstances. "Long-term cost trends have to be shared with consumers, especially if raw material costs are going to stay at the new levels," he said.

Similarly, nutritional supplements brand Supplement Sack is seeing margin costs being increased by 2-4% for a large portion of its portfolio. "Mayonnaise is our main product that has suffered as a result of the protracted Ukraine-Russia war. It is because sunflower oil is the primary raw material in the product and Ukraine and Russia supply a significant amount of sunflower oil to India," says Manish Yadav, CEO, Supplement Sack. FMCG major Dabur, which took price hikes in the range of 5-6% in Q4FY22 to offset the impact of inflation, expects inflation to climb unabated for at least the second half of the year, according to its CEO Mohit Malhotra.

The FMCG industry has been impacted by inflation and margins are squeezed. Till the time the situation persists, companies will continue to pass some share of the damage to customers through price correction. Consumers' budgets will have to be revised continually for the time being.

Y-O-Y WHOLESALE INFLATION RATE (MARCH 2022)

Britannia, which has already taken a 10% price hike in 2022, may go for another 10% increase over and above the revision already taken if the spot prices continue for the next 12 months.

Crude petroleum & Natural gas **69.20%**

Chemical & chemical products **12.66%**

Paper & paper products **12.24%**

Basic metals **25.97%** | Oil seeds **22.49%** | Vegetables **19.88%** | Wheat **14.4%** | Cereals **8.12%**

SOURCE: MINISTRY OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY

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GURBIR SINGH

GLOBAL warming seems to have jumped out of academic conference rooms and doomsday predictions of climate activists to bite much of north and central India and Pakistan. April saw scorching heat conditions, which according to the Indian Metrological Department (IMD), was the most intense in 122 years. The heat wave has enveloped over 1.5bn people across borders, and governments are worried at the toll it has taken on lives and crops.

Banda in East UP logged a record high of 47.4 degree C on April 29, while several regions including Allahabad, and Gurugram in the national capital region and Chandrapur in central India have all crossed 46-deg C mark. An assessment by the Centre for Science and Environment said the heat wave started around March 11 and has enveloped as many as 11 states. In Pakistan's Baluchistan region, temperatures are close to 50 deg C, unknown in this period of the year. Work is at a standstill as people don't leave their homes; and frequent power and water supply breakdowns have made things worse.

Disruptions are widespread in India too. Many schools have been closed and power outages have become common as thermal power plants are not able to cope with the 9% spike in power demand. One of the reasons is coal supply to 108 of the 173 thermal plants are critically low. As much as 75% of India's power is still sourced from coal-fired plants, and the Railways rushing coal cargo to these plants has led to the cancellation of 1,100 passenger trains till the end of May.

Local weather systems fail

The immediate reasons, according to weather experts, for the above-normal heat conditions is the lack of what they call 'western disturbances' in the north-west region of the Indian subcontinent. These low pressure 'disturbances' create light rainfall and thundershowers keeping the summer heat in check. However, the 4 episodes or 'western disturbances' this year between March and April, were low grade and not enough to bring down temperatures substantially this year.

D Sivananda Pai of Kottayam-based Institute for Climate Change Studies said periodic 'anti-cyclones' over western parts of Rajasthan in March exacerbated the situation. Anticyclones cause hot and dry weather by sinking winds around high-pressure systems.

The ongoing heatwave has taken a toll on the rural economy. In the north-western states, especially Punjab and Haryana, wheat crop yields have dropped by over 50% in areas experiencing extreme temperatures. From Himachal Pradesh in India to Baluchistan's Mustang district, fruit crops, especially apple and peach orchards, have been decimated. Apple trees bore blooms nearly a month in advance, and then withered away with the heat without bearing fruit.

Global warming playing out

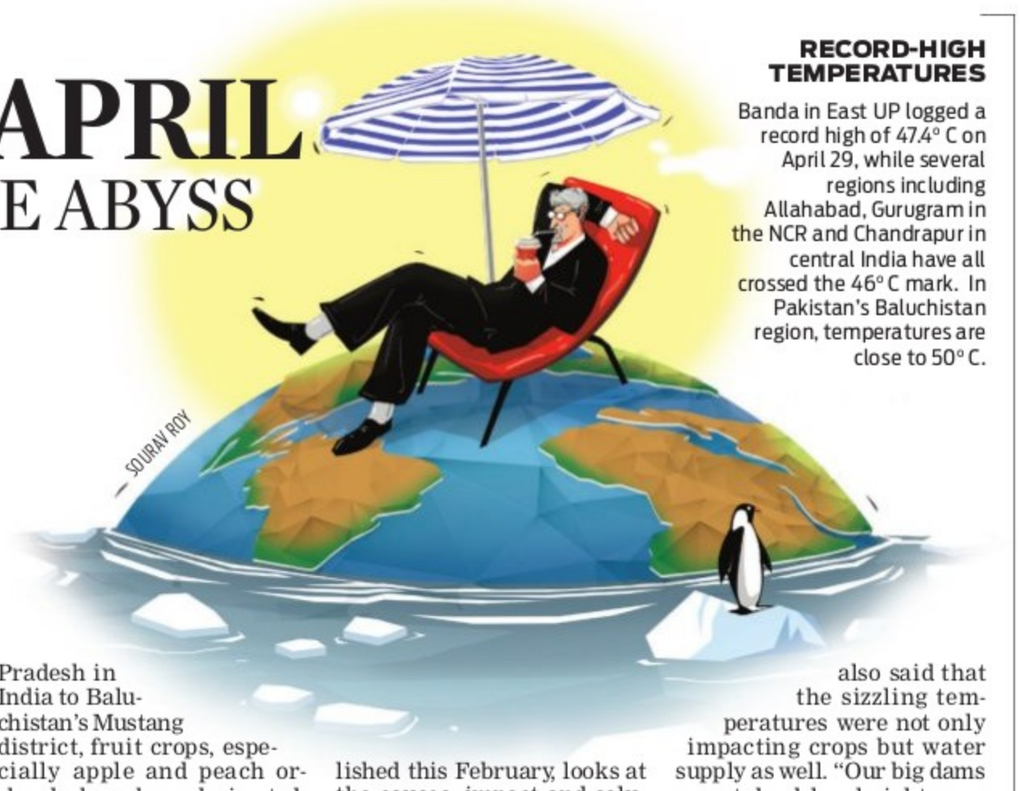
Though local weather systems have been responsible for the intense April heat, there is no doubt it is the long-term impact of Climate Change and Global Warming that is playing out. The UN Study by the Intergovernment Panel on Climate Change (IPCC), published this February, looks at the causes, impact and solutions to climate change; and is a lucid analysis of how a warmer world is endangering all the living things on Earth.

The report explains how extreme weather events linked to climate change like floods and heatwaves are hitting humans and other species much harder than previous assessments indicated. Between 2010 and 2020, 15 times more people died from floods, droughts and storms in very vulnerable regions including parts of Africa, South Asia and Central and South America, than in other parts of the world.

Sherry Rehman, Pakistan's minister for climate, told 'The Guardian' of UK that the heatwave was melting glaciers in the north of the country at extraordinary speed, and that thousands were at risk of being caught in flash floods. She also said that the sizzling temperatures were not only impacting crops but water supply as well. "Our big dams are at dead level right now, and sources of water are scarce," she said.

The positive side of the IPCC report is that it still holds out a window of opportunity that, if the world's government's and civic leaders act in time to keep global warming within 1.5 deg C of pre-industrial 1850 levels, there is hope for reversing the trend. For this greenhouse gas emissions need to peak by 2025 and then fall 43% by 2030 to touch 2019 levels.

To lower emissions, the age of fossil fuels must end. Coal use must drop 95% by 2050 on 2019 levels, oil by 60% and gas 45%to meet the 1.5°C goal, says Jan Christoph Minx, one of the authors of the IPCC report. Unfortunately, governments including the India's, are not doing enough. But then that is another story.



RECORD-HIGH TEMPERATURES

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50%

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Toyota Group to invest ₹4,800 cr in Karnataka

ENS @Bengaluru

IN a bid to boost local manufacturing and also to increase the local supplier base, Toyota Group on Saturday said it would invest ₹4,800 crore in Karnataka. The group, which consists of Toyota Kirloskar Motor and Toyota Kirloskar Auto Parts, and Toyota Industries Engine India signed the MoU with the Karnataka government.

The MoU was exchanged between CM Basavaraj Bommai and Toyota Kirloskar Motor Vice-Chairman Vikram S Kirloskar. Bommai said, "We want to make Karnataka a global supply-chain and manufacturing hub. I want to motivate our industrialists to believe in the Karnataka story and in the long-term potential of the Indian market. They should carry on their business and complete their investment plan without any confusion." He added the aim is to build 'New Karnataka for New India' by creating new 21st century industrial corridors.

Minister for Medium and Large Industries Murugesh R Nirani said the investment would enhance the local supplier growth in the state.

Vikram said, "It is an important milestone in terms of ushering in large-scale investment to make deeper cuts in carbon emissions, higher employment generation, creating local manufacturing hub not only for domestic needs but also for global markets."

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LIC IPO witnesses 1.66 times subscription on fourth day

RAM SAHGAL @Mumbai

THE LIC IPO has made history with the number of applications for the issue crossing the 50 lakh mark, surpassing the 48 lakh applications for the Reliance Power issue in 2008. It shows the appetite among all participants, in particular small investors.

"The issue is a big hit among small individual investors especially going by the number of applications at the time of heavy market volatility," said Rajesh Palviya, technical head at Axis Securities.

As of latest count on May 7, the total number of applications received was 54.5 lakh. The issue was subscribed fully at 1.66 times with 26.83 crore shares bid for against the reserved portion of 16.21 crore shares.

In value terms , according to a source, against the book amount of ₹14,929.96 crore at the upper cut-off (including the ₹45 per share discount for employees and retail and ₹60 per share discount for policy holders), the bid amount was ₹24,364.65 crore by 7 pm.

This value excludes the anchor investor portion of Rs 5,627.27 crore . The total issue size is ₹20,557.23 crore.

The non-institutional investor category was fully subscribed, with the figure at 1.08 times, that of policyholders stood at 4.67 times, employees at 3.54 times and QIB at 0.67 times.

The government is offloading 3.5% stake through an offer for sale. It's the biggest issue to date.

The IPO will close on May 9. The country's biggest ever public offer is open for subscription on Saturday and Sunday as well.

Increased ARPU and robust 02C business boosted RIL's Q4 results

ARSHAD KHAN @New Delhi

WITHOUT much fanfare, India's biggest listed entity Reliance Industries (RIL) announced its quarterly and FY22 results on Friday evening.

While the company reported a strong year-on-year growth in net profit (though it missed street estimate at large), a close view of RIL result shows had it not been significant surge in ARPU and robust performance of its oil-to-chemical (O2C) business, its performance during the quarter would have faced major hurdles.

Jio, India's largest telecom company, benefitted big time from how much it makes per subscriber, also known as ARPU (average revenue per user) even as it lost a whopping 10.9 million subscribers last quarter. Jio's ARPU during the quarter stood at ₹167.6 per subscriber a month, a healthy 21.3% growth on Y-o-Y basis and 10.5% growth on Q-o-Q basis. This surge in the crucial metric came after Jio implemented up to 21% tariff hike last December.

While increased ARPU helped Jio to report double-digit growth in revenue and profit, continuous loss of subscribers is not a very positive sign, especially when the Mukesh Ambani-owned company is trying to touch the 500 million subscribers' milestone. Jio's total customer base as of March 31, 2022, stood at 410.2 million, which is lower than 435 million the company had reported last year. It said SIM consolidation post the December 2021 tariff hike led to a net reduction of 10.9 million in customer base in Q4FY22.

"As per our telecom team's assessment, ARPU for Jio is set to steadily expand to ₹190 by FY24E from ₹143 in FY21 and an estimated ₹152 for FY22E. While the direction of margins and ARPU remains clear, given the sharply upward trends in average plans and the changing subscriber mix for Jio, earnings from this segment remains vulnerable to ARPU shifts. Every ₹5 change in ARPU can impact RIL's EPS by ₹3, while a change of 10 mn net subscribers can impact its EPS only by ₹1.2/sh or so," analysts at ICICI securities said in a recent note.

Jio Platforms' net profit increased 22.9% YoY to ₹Rs 4,313 crore in Q4FY22 and gross revenue rose 20.7% to ₹26,139 crore during the quarter. It, however, missed analysts' expectations of ₹5,000 crore quarterly profit.

Business & Beyond

Board of Directors Meeting Held

Rajasthan State Seeds Corporation Ltd Board of Directors Meeting held on 04.05.2022 at Pant Krishi Bhawan, Jaipur. Newly-appointed Chairman Dheeraj Gurjar directed officers to make available farmers quality seed of cereals, pulses, oilseeds and vegetables on reasonable prices at their doorstep and also increase the business of corporation from `266 cr to `500 cr in current fiscal by utilizing available resources.

Valedictory function of Saksham' 2022

Valedictory function of Saksham' 2022 was organized on 30th April' 2022 at Adhiveshan Bhawan, Harding Road, Patna, at 11:00 hrs. Saksham is observed across the country every year and various mass awareness programs on conservation of oil & gas is being organized by oil industry across the country in association with Petroleum Conservation Research Association (PCRA) and under the aegis of Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas, Govt. of India.

Assumption of Charge of Chairman & MD, GSL

Shri Sudhakar T N takes over additional charge as Chairman & Managing Director of Goa Shipyard Limited (GSL) on demitting of office of the CMD, GSL by Cmde B BNagpal, NM, IN, (Retd). Sudhakar started his career with M/s Bharat Heavy Electrical Ltd, EPD, Bangalore. After serving BHEL for 2 years he joined M/s Cochin Shipyard Ltd (CSL). He has held various positions in Finance Wing of CSL and was in the service of CSL for 28 years. Prior to leaving CSL, he was working as General Manger (Finance). He left CSL and joined GSL on 01 Feb 2016 as Director (Finance).

Vedanta Aluminium observed 79th National Fire Service Week

Jharsuguda:Vedanta Aluminium, observed the 79th National Fire Service Week at its operations in Jharsuguda, by organizing a week-long awareness campaign on fire safety and prevention for its employees, business partners and the community at large. In line with this year's National Fire Service Day theme 'Learn Fire Safety, Increase Productivity', various fire prevention training and awareness programmes were organized at the plant premises.

Alcaraz beats World No 1 Djokovic, enters Madrid final

LESS than 24 hours after beating Rafael Nadal in the quarterfinal, Carlos Alcaraz overpowered Novak Djokovic (7-6, 5-7, 6-7) in the Madrid Open semifinal on Saturday. The 19-year-old lost the first set, but came back stronger to beat the World No 1. Alcaraz also became the first player ever to beat Nadal and Djokovic back-to-back in a tournament on clay.

Royal comeback for Jaiswal

Opener stars in Rajasthan's win over Punjab

ASHIM SUNAM @ Bengaluru

20, 1 and 4. Yashasvi Jaiswal's numbers in the first three matches of the IPL this season does not justify his talent. The 20-year-old from Mumbai is looked upon as one for the future, and why not. At 17, he became the youngest player to score a List-A double century. But with the quality of Indian players coming up the ranks, there is a serious need for players to be consistent at all levels. That is where Jaiswal needed to improve upon.

However, there is no doubt about the talent that exists in his batting and the Royals, who retained him ahead of the IPL 2022 auction, know it fully well. For a start, giving him the openers role in the first three matches despite having Devdutt Padikkal, a proven IPL opener, shows how much the Royals management hold him in high esteem. But his performance in the initial stages was a disappointment. Jaiswal, who last played more than a month ago, was given another opportunity against Punjab Kings at the Wankhede Stadium on Saturday.

In fact, the player only got a chance with middle-order player Karun Nair having failed to make an impression in the last few games. With Jaiswal's inclusion being the only change, there was pressure on the southpaw. He had to deliver, and the youngster did exactly that with his highest score in the IPL (68) to steer his team to victory by six wickets. If Jaiswal set the platform, Shimron Hetmyer hit three fours and two sixes to finish the job with a 16-ball 31.

With Punjab posting a good score of 189, as an opener Jaiswal did not have to think too much about his approach. It helped him. There were no two ways about it. He had to score at a fair clip, ensuring the team was off to a flier. He did not take much time to get his A game going. Though in-form Buttler was out for a breezy 16-ball 30, Jaiswal was in no mood to allow the opponents to get into the game. Alongside Sanju Samson, he dealt in boundaries with constant ease, but the burden shifted to Jaiswal quickly after the skipper was out for 23 in the ninth over.

As Padikkal joined him in the middle, it was a test of character for Jaiswal. Although the latter could not stay long to take his team home, by the time he departed for 68, he had done his part. There was Hetmyer to finish the work he started.

Brief scores: PBKS 189/5 in 20 ovs (Bairstow 56; Chahal 3/28) lost to RR 190/4 in 19.4 ovs (Jaiswal 68; Arshdeep 2/29).

TODAY'S MATCHES
SRH VS RCB @ 3.30 PM
CSK VS DC @ 7.30 PM
LIVE ON STAR SPORTS

LSG TRUMP KKR BY 75 RUNS

PUNE: Quinton de Kock (29-ball 50) and Deepak Hooda helped Lucknow Super Kings revive their innings after the early dismissal of KL Rahul against Kolkata Knight Riders. Hooda got out to Andre Russell for 41 from 27 balls, but some quick runs from Marcus Stoinis and Jason Holder helped Lucknow finish with 176/7 in 20 overs. In reply, KKR were bundled out for 101 in 14.3 overs. Avesh Khan and Jason Holder took three wickets each. **Brief scores:** LSG 176/7 in 20 ovs (De Kock 50, Hooda 41; Russell 2/22) bt KKR 101 in 14.3 ovs (Avesh 3/19, Holder 3/31).

Indian boxers set for first major test at Worlds

ANMOL GURUNG @ Chennai

INDIAN women boxers could be seen trading punches with Kazakhstan boxers in Istanbul a few days back. That was just a dress rehearsal ahead of their first major test this year — the IBA Women's World Championships, which is set to begin on Monday.

In Istanbul for a little over two weeks as part of an exposure tour, the Indians have had sparring sessions with pugilists from various participating nations in Turkey. National chief coach, Bhaskar Bhatt, said that the camp in Turkey was a welcome boost for his wards, especially the youngsters. Gaining last-minute ideas from sparring sessions with boxers from other nations, some of them more renowned, could prove to be significant during demanding bouts in the days to come.

Lovlina Borgohain | BFI

MC Mary Kom, a name that is synonymous with the big-ticket event, is not part of the team this time. In her absence, Nikhat Zareen will be determined to make the most of this chance and firmly establish her name as number one in her weight category in the team ahead of Paris Olympics. The quarterfinalist from the 2016 edition is one of the in-form boxers, having won the Strandja Memorial Boxing title earlier this year.

Tokyo Olympics bronze medallist, Lovlina Borgohain, will be the boxer to keep a close eye on. With her weight category (69kg) not part of the Olympic programme, Lovlina, a two-time bronze medallist (2018, 2019), will be keen to maintain her healthy record at the Worlds. Saweety Boora (75kg) and Pooja Rani (81kg) are other boxers who have years of experience.

Nitu (48kg), Anamika (50kg), Shiksha (54kg), Jaismine(60kg), Parveen(63kg), Ankushita Boro (66kg) are some of first-timers in the team. A strong show here could shape their futures, a viewpoint that Bhatt concurs with. "The good thing about the youngsters is that they have nothing to lose. Whatever experience that they gain will only help them. They have been giving their maximum effort in the build-up," Bhatt said.

Having taken over the role as chief coach of the women's national team after the Tokyo Olympics, this is also the first time Bhatt will be guiding the side in the world event. On paper, the team has all the potential to medal in multiple weight categories.

Sindhu, Lakshya lead India's quest

AGENCIES @ Bangkok

FOCUS will be on double Olympic medallist PV Sindhu and World Championships bronze winner Lakshya Sen as the Indian badminton contingent resumes its quest for a medal at the Thomas and Uber Cup Final beginning here on Sunday.

No Indian men's team has ever won a medal in the Thomas Cup, having failed to reach the semifinal even once. But the women had two semifinal finishes in successive editions of the Uber Cup to clinch two bronze medals in 2014 and 2016. Last year, both the men's and women's teams signed off their campaigns at the quarterfinal stage.

This time, India boasts of a strong men's team comprising World No 9 Sen, world number 11 Kidambi Srikanth and HS Prannoy, ranked 23rd in the world, in singles. The doubles will be led by World No 9 pair of Satwiksairaj Rankireddy and Chirag Shetty. The combination of MR Arjun and Dhruv Kapila, and that of Krishna Prasad Garaga and Vishnuvardhan Goud Panjala are also in the team.

EXPRESS READ

India's boxing HPD Nieva steps down

CHENNAI: Santiago Nieva has stepped down from his role as Indian boxing team's high performance director, the Boxing Federation of India announced on Saturday. Nieva, who took charge of the national team in 2017, played a vital role in building a boxing eco-system and helping the boxers win medals in multiple events. He will be new head coach of the Australian boxing team.

Golfers Sharma, Chawrasia miss cut

WISHAW (UK): India's Shubhankar Sharma and SSP Chawrasia made early exits from the Betfred British Masters golf tournament, hosted by Danny Willett after missing the cut by a fair margin. Sharma, who was second at the Rolex Series Abu Dhabi Championship at the start of 2022, carded 73-74 and Chawrasia, a four-time winner on European Tour, shot 74-74.

Odisha to host Indian Grand Prix 3 and 4

BHUBANESWAR: The Odisha government along with the Athletics Federation of India and Odisha Athletics Association will conduct the Indian Grand Prix 3 and 4 in Bhubaneswar on May 21 and 24, respectively. These meets hold special importance as the athletes can achieve the qualification marks for the World Athletics, Commonwealth Games and the postponed Asiad.

Protest over F1's jewellery, underwear rule

AFP @ Miami

AFTER threatening to skip the inaugural Miami GP over a bling clampdown, Lewis Hamilton removed almost all his jewellery in time to drive in practice Friday. The decision to enforce rules on jewellery and underwear had stirred controversy in the pre-practice press conferences.

Hamilton threatened to spend the weekend seeing the sites of Miami instead while Sebastian Vettel said he thought the English driver was being "targeted". Hamilton was wearing three watches, a bracelet, necklaces and a nose stud for the

press conference and said he would need to "chop my ears off" to remove his earrings.

"I couldn't get any more jewellery on," he joked. "We have spare drivers, so we're ready and prepared for the weekend. There is lots to do in this city so, I'll be good either way!" Hamilton said of the prospect of being forced out of the race.

Yet, after making his threat, he removed most of his jewellery, including the earrings, for the practice session but scored a small victory with an exemption for the nose stud.

Vettel showed his feelings by wearing underpants over his race suit as a sign of protest.

Race director Niels Wittich wrote in his guidelines for the race that driver jewellery and underwear should be checked, to ensure they comply with the fire-proof safety standards.

Sable breaks 30-yr-old 5000m national record

AGENCIES @ New Delhi

TOP Indian runner Avinash Sable smashed the 30-year-old men's 5000m national record at the Sound Running Track Meet at California. Sable, who also holds the national record in his pet event of 3000m steeplechase and competed in Tokyo Olympics, clocked 13 minutes and 25.65 seconds while finishing 12th in the American Meet.

Norway's Tokyo Olympics 1500m gold winner Jakob Ingebrigtsen won the race with a timing of 13:02.03s.

The 27-year-old army man, a farmer's son from Beed district of Maharashtra, broke Bahadur Prasad's long-standing record of 13:29.70s set in Birmingham in 1992. Sable thus broke Indian athletic's second longest-standing national record. The longest-standing national record is of Shivnath Singh in marathon (2:12:00s) which has stood for 44 years since 1978.

Sable also holds the half marathon (21.0975km) national record of 1:00:30s which he had set in 2020.

Bangalore Metropolitan Transport Corporation
Civil Engineering Department, KH Road, Shanthinagar, Bengaluru-27
No.: BMTC/CO/TR/COM/412/2022-23 Date: 05.05.2022
TENDER/QUOTATION/NEGOTIATION NOTIFICATION NO:04/2022-23 (e-Procurement Platform)
Bengaluru Metropolitan Transport Corporation invites offers/quotation from interested Persons/Agency/company through e-procurement platform for selection of House Keeping Agency for Cleaning & Maintenance of BMTC North Zone Depots, Buses including Toilet complex. Last date & time for submission of bids is on **25.05.2022 up to 12:00 hrs.** Opening of Technical bids is on **27.05.2022 at 12:30 hrs.** Opening of Financial bids is on **03.06.2022 at 12:30 hrs.** Details for EMD, license period, area & tender terms & conditions log on to: **www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in** & Contact no: 080-23010900; 23010901; 22371090; 22340060; 22340948 or 7760991026, 7760991222. E-mail: **ctmc@mybmtc.com.**
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2) No: EE/KNNL/UTP/DN/TND/ BYD-BOREWELL/PB-3/2022-23/157 Date:- 04-05-2022
SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION
(Through e-procurement portal system)
Percentage tenders are invited by the undersigned on behalf of the Managing Director, KNNL, Bangalore, fromeligible bidders who satisfies through GO e-procurement platform www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in The 2 number of Road work as per Ref (1) who's the cost varies from Rs 62.17 Lakhs to Rs 62.26 Lakhs (including GST and EMD amount is Rs 0.63 Lakhs) under UTP Division Ranebennur under the Head of account 4701SCP/TSP for the year 2021-22. And The 2 number of Bore well works as per Ref(2) who's the cost varies from Rs 57.07 Lakhs to Rs 57.14 Lakhs (including GST and EMD amount is Rs 0..58 Lakhs) under UTP Division Ranebennur under the Head of account 4701SCP/TSP for the year 2021-22.
Tender processing fee as per e-procurement portal system is non refundable.The electronic tender documents can be obtained through website www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in and can be submitted through e-portal. (1)The contractor can have access to e-tender documents from 09-05-2022 to 18-05-2022-up to 5.30 PM (2)The Last Date and time for tender queries before 17-05-2022 up to 5.30 PM. (3) Last date of bid submission of completed e-tendering documents on 18-05-20221-up to 5.30 PM(4) Technical Bid will be opened on 19-05-2022 at 5.35 PM at the office of the Executive Engineer, KNNL, UTP Division, Ranebennur. Any changes made in the said Notification Corrected / Corrigendum's will be uploaded in the e-procurement portal/ News Papers. For details visit our website www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in or contact the undersigned in all working days during the office hours. Phone No. (08373)267071 Conditional tenders are liable to be rejected. The officer competent to accept the tender reserves the right of cancelling/rejecting all or any of the tenders without assigning any reasons what so ever.
Sd/- Executive Engineer, KNNL, U.T.P. Dn, Ranebennu
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KERALA WATER AUTHORITY
e-Tender Notice
Tender No : 09/22-23/SE/PHC/PKD. Jal Jeevan Mission 2021-22 Laying distribution system and providing FHTCs (800 Nos) in Mundur Panchayath. EMD : Rs. 100000. Tender fee : Rs. 8850. Last Date for submitting Tender : **27-05-2022 03:00:pm**. Phone : 04912544927. Website : **www.kwa.kerala.gov.in, www.etenders.kerala.gov.in.**
KWA-JB-GL-6-161-2022-23 Superintending Engineer, PH Circle, Palakkad

KERALA WATER AUTHORITY
e-Tender Notice
Tender No : SE/PHC/MPM/12/2022-23. JJM Mampad Phase2-Package 1A, Source improvement, pumpset and transformer and allied works. EMD : Rs. 100000. Tender fee : Rs. 7500. Last Date for submitting Tender : **20-05-2022 03:00:pm**. Phone : 04832974871. Website : **www.kwa.kerala.gov.in, www.etenders.kerala.gov.in.**
KWA-JB-GL-6-165-2022-23 Superintending Engineer PH Circle, Malappuram

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Bid No. E- 16/2022-23 **E-TENDERS** **Dated: 30.04.2022**
E-Tender are invited for & on behalf of the president of India for the supply of following items. Only e-offer will be accepted for which vendors must have class III Digital Signature and registrations on **IREPS** The details of tenders are in the following sequence S.No., Tender No.(Due Date), Description and Quantity. **(1) 10211224, (25.05.22)** Exhaust Chamber Assembly Intermediate Rear PL No. 16080154, **19 Nos. (2) 10221009, (25.05.22)** Kit Main Bearing Upper PL No. 16060829, **46 Nos. (3) 10221077, (26.05.22) 1.** Hose Assembly PL No. 16360140, **15 Nos., 2.** Hose Assembly PL No. 16360151, **13 Nos. (4) 10221052, (03.06.22)** Cover Filter Asm PL No. 16060209, **36 Nos. (5) 10221007, (06.06.22)** Manifold Asm PL No. 16050216, **40 Nos. (6) 10221005, (07.06.22)** Clevis Assembly PL No. 16050186, **153 Nos. (7) 10221010, (07.06.22)** Kit Main Bearing Lower PL No. 16060830, **57 Nos. (8) 06221112, (18.05.22),** Set of Rating Plate, Part No. 29618411, **591 Set. (9) 06221793, (18.05.22),** Adapter, Part No. 29612524, **617 Nos. (10) 06221110, (18.05.22),** Resister to Primary Current Transfer, Part No. 29651001, **662 Nos. (11) 06221868B, (01.06.22),** Terminal Bar, Part No. 29811004, **1260 Nos. (12) 06221857, (18.05.22),** Set of Insulator, Part No. 29728046, **703 Set. (13) 07220185A, (13.06.22)** PL No. 29170631, Fire Extinguisher & Bracket, **1080 Nos. (14) 03221758B, (20.05.22)** Part No. 29420064, Bull Gear 107 teeth, **3735 Nos. Note.:** For Complete details of EMD and downloading of tender documents and Hindi Version also available at **website www.blw.indianrailways.gov.in and www.ireps.gov.in., Corrigendum Notice- Date- 30.04.2022, Bid No.- E-04/2022-23 S.N. (1) Tender No.- 01221250 Due on (12.05.2022) Set of Non Metalic Pipe. PL No. 29230020, Revision- 01, Details of Correction- Existing Quantity- 184 Set, Revised Quantity- 636 Set, S.N. (2) Tender No.- 01221252 Due on (19.05.2022) Steel Pipe Fittings. PL No. 29230111, Revision- 01, Details of Correction- Existing Quantity- 121 Set, Revised Quantity- 811 Set, S.N. (3) Tender No.- 01221257 Due on (01.06.2022) S S Pipe Fittings. PL 29230380, Revision- 01, Details of Correction- Existing Quantity- 185 Set, Revised Quantity- 622 Set, Corrigendum Notice- Date- 02.05.2022, Bid No.- E- 09/2022-23, S.N. (1) Tender No.- 07225176 Due Date (17.05.2022) PL No. NS, Discription- Testing Commissioning of 50KV solar Inverter, Corrigendum details- Specification No. - CESE/SPC/N452100019 dated 24.02.2022, Corrigendum Notice- Date- 30.04.2022 S. No. (1) Bid No- E-04/2022-23, Tender No.- 01221251A Set of Metallic Pipe. PL No. 29230044, Revision- 01, Details of Correction- Existing Quantity- 13.05.2022, 210 Set, Revised Quantity- 08.06.2022, 656 Set, Note.- All other terms and conditions will remain unchanged for above tenders.**
P.R.O./BLW/S-17 **PCMM**
/blwvaranasi " Website:- www.blw.indianrailways.gov.in"

OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER, RWS&S DIVISION, BHANJANAGAR-761126
Phone No.06821-241026 (0)/241079(R),
Fax No-06821-241026/240056, e-mail: eerwss_bnj@nic.in
<eerwssbnj2009@gmail.com
Govt of Orissa "e" Procurement Notice
O-173 **Bid Identification No. S.E. RWS&S 03 /2022-23**

1.	The Superintending Engineer, RWS&S Division, Bhanjanagar, Ganjam on behalf of Governor of Odisha invites percentage rate/G2 bid in Double Cover system according to the norm of "e" Procurement system in online mode for different PWS Schemes in Ganjam District from the eligible contractors as per DTCN.		
2.	Nature of Work	:	Construction, testing, Commissioning of RCC ESR/OGR construction of Pump House, Compound Wall, Valve chamber, providing 100% FHTC, laying of distribution of pipe line etc for PWS to different village in the Ganjam District.
3.	No. of Tender	:	06 Nos.
4.	Tender Paper Cost	:	Rs. 10000/-
5.	Tender Cost	:	51.12 Lakhs to 334.37 Lakhs
6.	Class of Contractor	:	B, A & Special Class
7.	Date and Time of Availability of bid document in the portal	:	Dt. 10.05.2022 at 11.00AM to 26.05.2022 up to 5.00 PM
8.	Date of Opening of Bid	:	Dt. 27.05.2022 at 11.00 AM
9.	Period of completion	:	150(One hundred fifty) to 330 (Three hundred thity) days
10.	The bidders have to participate in online bidding only. Further details can be seen from the website https://tendersorissa.gov.in		

Sd/- Superintending Engineer,
RWS&S Division Bhanjanagar OIPR-25021/11/0001/2223

Office of the Executive Engineer,
Karnataka Urban Water Supply and Drainage Board, Division-Mandya
Tel/Fax :08232 224816 e mail- kwbeemnd@gmail.com
KARNATAKA URBAN WATER SUPPLY AND DRAINAGE BOARD
SHORT TENDER NOTIFICATION - 2nd CALL
No:KWB/EE/MND/TEC/TA/AE/203/2022-23 **Date:07-05-2022**
Item-rate Tender for the following work is invited through e-Procurement from eligible Agency/Contractors as detailed below:

Sl No.	Name and description of work
1	**No. KUWSDB/2021-22/WS/WORK_INDENT3124/CALL-2** Providing and laying of 610mm dia MS feeder line from welcome board of Mandya city to APMC market at Kalahalli in Mandya city, under 15th finance of CMC, Mandya for the year 2021-22.

For further details, under signed office may please be contacted or website https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in or e-Procurement helpdesk 080-46010000/080-68948777, email : support@eprochelpdesk.com
DIPR/AD-MDY/MC&A/61/2022-23 **Sd/-Executive Engineer, KUWS & D Board, Division**

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OFFICE OF THE CHIEF CONSTRUCTION ENGINEER
RURAL WORKS CIRCLE, BALASORE
By E_Mail/e-Despatch: E_Mail ID : serw_balasore@yahoo.in, Ph-No-06782/260318, Balia, Balasore
"e" Procurement Notice for Road Work
Identification No.- Online Tender- Road N.C.B. No. 329 for 2021-22.
O-175 **Letter No. 1293 / Date. 02.05.2022**

1.	Name of the work	:- **PMGSY Road Work**
2.	Total No. of work	:- **1 No.(one)**
3.	Estimated Cost	:- **Rs. 342.95** lakhs (Approximately)
4.	Eligible Class of Contractor	:- 'A', & Special (of Odisha P.W.D.) or relevant Class of other licensing authorities (as per annexure).
5.	Period of Completion	:- 11 Calendar months for the work.
6.	Other details	:-

Procurement Officer	Bid Identification No.	Availability of tender On-line for bidding		Last Date & Time of seeking Tender Clarification.	Date & Time of Opening of Tender in O/O C.C.E.R.W. Circle, Balasore	
		From	To		Technical Bid	Financial Bid
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Chief Construction Engineer, Rural Works Circle, Balasore	N.C.B. No. 329	Dt.09.05.2022 at 11.00 A.M.	Dt. 24.05.2022 up to 5.00 P.M.	Dt.23.05.2022 up to 5.00 P.M.	Dt.25.05.2022 at 11.00 A.M.	Will be intimated later.

• Further details can be seen from the website: www.pmgsytenders.gov.in
Sd/- Chief Construction Engineer, R.W. Circle, Balasore. OIPR- 25105/11/0007/2223

KRISHNA BHAGYA JALA NIGAM LIMITED
(A Government of Karnataka Undertaking)
Office of the Executive Engineer, KBJNL SBC O&M Division
Bheemarayanagudi. Tq: Shahapur Dist: Yadgiri, Email Id: kbjnleesbc@gmail.com
NO. KBJNL/SBC/O&M/Divn/PB/2022-23/67 Date: 04-05-2022
TENDER CORRIGENDUM-2
(ONLY THROUGH ELECTRONIC TENDER SYSTEM)
Ref: 1)This office tender notification No.934, dated:31.03.2022.
2)This office tender corrigendum No.16, dated:13.04.2022.
Due to technical reasons the calendar of events for the work Indent No.21996 invited vide tender notification at reference above is postponed indefinitely, the next date and time will be informed immediately.
Other terms and conditions as mentioned in the tender notification remains unchanged. Further information may be had from the office of the undersigned during office hours or from http://www.eprocurement.Karnataka.gov.in.
Sd/- Executive Engineer,
DIP/Yadgiri/49/MC&A/2022-23 **KBJNL, SBC O&M Division, Bheemarayanagudi.**

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PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the general public that our client **Mrs. Ashwini Madura Nath**, W/o Pramod Prasad, is the absolute owner of the Apartment bearing No, S-2, Municipal No. 3/5-SF/2, PID No. 16-3-3/5-SF/2, 2nd Floor, for constructed on the property Municipal No.3, BEML HBCS 1st Stage, in the Layout formed by BEML Employees House Building Cooperative society Ltd., on the land bearing Sy. Nos.28/3, 32 & 33 of Saneguruvanahalli Village, Yeshwanthapura Hobli, Bengaluru North Taluk, Measuring 450 Sq.Ft of Super Built Up area of Multistoried building and 1/8th Undivided Share equivalent to 300 Sq.ft, including open car parking space, and bounded on **East by:** Site No.4, **West by:** Site No. 2, **North by:** Site No. 15 & 16 and **South by:** Road.

While renovating her house No.178, Venkatadri, Pipline Road, 2nd Stage, Kumara Swamy Layout, Bengaluru. our client has lost the Original Gift Deed dated 27/10/2017 Document No. 2968/2017-18, Book-1, CD. No. RJND307, pertaining to the said property.

In the event any person finds or in possession of the above said original documents, kindly handover the same to the below mentioned address **within 7 days** of the publication of this notice. The general public are informed not to act on the basis of the said original document.

SOMASHEKHARA .A.N, Advocate
No. 105, 3rd Floor, MR Mansion, 12th 'D' Main Road, Muthyalanagar, Bengaluru-560 054.

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform that my client **Mr. MAHADEV GOWDA .R S/o RAMACHANDRAPPA,** R/at: 9th Cross, 6th Main, Malleshwaram, Bengaluru, he has lost original registered sale deed Vide registered document No. 570/1991, dated:07.01.1991, registered in the office of sub-register Kelamangalam, in respect of property bearing Site No. 124, formed in SY No.703/1, 703/2, situated KOTHAGONDAPALLI VILLAGE, Hosur Taluk, Krishnagiri District,

In this regard my client has also preferred a police complaint on 07/05/2022 before the Inspector of police, Hebbagodi Police station and the police taken complaint on file on 07/05/2022 in C-MISS No.313/2022, that my client has not created any charge over the property covered under the above said document. If found, the document may kindly be delivered to the undermentioned address, any objection from the concerned public will not be entertained or bind my client after 7 days from the date of this public notice.

MR. VIKRAM .H.V, Advocate
No.7, 1st Floor, STB Complex, Near Civil Court, Attibele Road, Anekal Town, Bengaluru District. Ph:9880462590

PUBLIC NOTICE

The public at large are hereby notified that, my client Mr. Shabbir Ahmed, S/o Syed Iqbal, Aged about 34 years, R/at No.550/12/14, Gandhipuram, White Field Post, Bengaluru-560 066, is intended to purchase the below mentioned Schedule Property from SMT. GAYATHRI KUMAR, W/o Sri. Kumar, Aged about 35 years, R/at No.25/1, "Siddeshwara Nilaya" Siddappa Layout, Immadiyalli, White Field Post, Bengaluru-560 066, and my client is intending to Purchase the Schedule Property. Hence the general public is hereby informed that. If anybody having any right, claim or interest over the Schedule Property, they may file their written objections with documentary evidence **within FIFTEEN DAYS** from the date of this publication with the undersigned. If No Objections are received within the stipulated period, it will be presumed that there is no objection to Purchase the Schedule Property and my client is proceed in purchasing the same.

-:: SCHEDULE PROPERTY ::-

All that piece and parcel of the **NORTHERN PORTION** of property bearing Survey No.116/8, (old Survey No.116/2, B.B.M.P .Khatha No.599/549, **converted from agriculture to residential purpose vide** official memorandum bearing No.ALN.(EKLH) SR.38/2013-14, dated: 24.9.2013, comes under B.B.M.P. Ward No.84, **Measuring East to West:54 Feet, North to South:30 Feet, totally measuring 1620 Sq. Feet,** situated at Nagondanahalli Village, Krishnarajapura Hobli, Bengaluru East Taluk, along with consisting of RCC Roofed house & bounded on:
East by : Road thereafter remaining portion of the land bearing Survey No. 116/8,
West by : land in Survey No. 121,
North by : portion of land in Survey No.116/4,
South by: remaining portion same land in Survey No.116/8 retain by the Vendors.

M.V. Maruthi,
Advocate
No.97, 5th Cross, 1st Floor, White City Layout, Seegehalli, K.R. Puram Hobli, Bangaluru East Taluk, Bangalore-560 049.
Mob: 9066620680

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is given on behalf of our client **Mrs. SOMA PUJARI** W/o Mr. Anurag Dikshit, aged about 46 years, that the **original Sale Deed dated 12th November 1999** bearing **Document No. 5991/1999-2000** registered with the Sub Registrar office of KR Puram, Bangalore executed between **Mr. A.V Umakanth S/o late Sri. A.M. Vishweshwaraiah and M/s Adarsh Developers represented by its Proprietor Mr. B.M Jayashankar in favour of Mr. Abhishek Mukherjee and Mrs. RunaMukherjee**, for Property bearing Khata No. 16 (old No. 49) and House List No. 49/2-3, measuring 9000 Sq.ft. situated at Nellurahalli Village, Krishnarajapuram Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk has been lost/misplaced by our client Mrs. Soma Pujari; for which the undersigned has registered on behalf of our client an appropriate Lost Article complaint vide e-Lost Report No. 0216683/2022 on 6th May 2022 with Karnataka State Police (Bangalore City unit).

If anyone finds these documents, please return it to the undersigned party. All the persons are hereby informed not to deal or carry out any transaction with anyone on the basis of the above-mentioned missing documents without approval of our client. If anyone has already carried out any transaction or any transaction is in the process of being carried out using these missing documents, kindly inform the undersigned party in writing at the below mentioned address within 14 days from the day of this paper publication after which no claim shall be entertained by our clients.

Sd/- **Anupam Agarwal**
RAMNIWAS SURAJMAL
(Advocates & Solicitors)
No. 506, 'A' Wing, Mittal Tower,
M.G. Road, Bangalore-560 001.
Phone No.: 9740645762
Email: anupam@rslegal.in
Place: Bangalore Date: 08/05/2022

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the general public that my client Smt. P Geetha & G Satish Kumar, Residents No 12/74, 2nd Cross, New Kalappa Block, Ramachandrapuram, Bangalore-560021 is desirous of purchasing all that Municipal No.235-A, 56th Cross Road, 3rd Block Rajajinagar Bangalore 560010 having a structure thereon, situated at Ward No 108 Sri Rama mandira Ward, Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike ("BBMP") (PID No.22-67-56) measuring East to West - 25' (Twenty-Five Feet) and North to South -39' Thirty Nine feet measuring 975 square feet, morefully described in the Schedule hereunder and hereinafter referred to as **"Schedule Property"** from Syed Mohiullah Hussaini, S/o Syed Jaffar Ullah Hussaini residing at No 235-A 56th Cross Road 3rd Block Rajaji Nagar, Bangalore - 560010 (**"Owner"**).

Any person or persons asserting any right, title, interest or claim by way of inheritance, share, sale, mortgage, transfer, lease, tenancy, lien, charge, trust, maintenance, easement, gift, devise, bequest, exchange, pre-emption, possession or encumbrance or otherwise in the Schedule Property or any part thereof or having any kind of claims thereon or having any kind of claim against the documents of title or objecting to such sale by the Owner in favour of my client, should write to the undersigned within **Fifteen days** from the date of issuance of this notice with all documentary proof on which they are basing and asserting their rights with regard to the Schedule Property or any part thereof, after which period my client shall proceed on the basis that there are no claims of whatsoever nature with regard to the Schedule Property and my client will be free to proceed with the proposed purchase of the Schedule Property.

SCHEDULE

All that piece and parcel of immovable residential property bearing Municipal No.235-A, 56th Cross Road, 3rd Block Rajajinagar Bangalore 560010 having a structure thereon, situated at Ward No 108 Sri Rama mandira Ward, Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike ("BBMP") (PID No.22-67-56) measuring East to West - 25' (Twenty-Five Feet) and North to South -39' Thirty Nine feet measuring 975 square feet square feet and bounded as follows & the property bounded by;

East by : House No 234/B;
West by : House No 235/B;
North by : House No 231/A
South by : Road

M. PRADEEP, Advocate
No.40, Anugraha, 7th Main, 21st Cross, N.S. Palya, BTM 2nd Stage, Bangalore - 560 076 Ph No.9448665412
mpradeep59@gmail.com

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Public at large are hereby informed that my client Sri. B. MANJU, S/o Bettaiah, aged about 39 years, residing at No. 25, 6th Cross, 2nd Main, Sampige Road, Malleswaram, Bengaluru-560 003 is the absolute owner and peaceful possession of the below mentioned properties through the registered Deed of Adoption and other documents executed by Sri. J.S. Lakshman Singh, S/o. late Dr. J. Suban Singh. Therefore no one should have the right to do any types of claims, transactions i.e. execution of any sale agreement, sale deed and any agreement for obtain loan, any financial transactions etc. in respect of the below mentioned schedule properties. On the other hand if anyone interested on the below mentioned schedule properties and have any transactions done or executed, or to be done or to be executed, those persons will be held responsible with their own risk and liability.

SCHEDULE PROPERTIES

All that piece and parcel of land measuring about 200.06 acres in Dombarahalli Village, kasaba Hobli, Malur Taluk, Kolar District in the following Survey Numbers and extent as described below:

Sl.No.	Survey No.	Extent	Sl.No.	Survey No.	Extent
1	118	7 acres 13 guntas	29	146	3 acres 26 guntas
2	119	5 acres 22 guntas	30	147	6 acres 5 guntas
3	120	4 acres 32 guntas	31	148	5 acres 5 guntas
4	121	7 acres 7 guntas	32	149	4 acres 7 guntas
5	122	2 acres 23 guntas	33	150	5 acres 20 guntas
6	123	4 acres 21 guntas	34	151	3 acres 19 guntas
7	124	4 acres 33 guntas	35	152	4 acres 29 guntas
8	125	7 acres 02 guntas	36	153	5 acres 20 guntas
9	126	05 acres 27 guntas	37	154	2 acres 00 guntas
10	----	------------	38	-----	------------
11	128	8 acres 17 guntas	39	-----	------------
12	129	4 acres 26 guntas	40	157	4 acres 4 guntas
13	130	4 acres 29 guntas	41	158	3 acres 18 guntas
14	131	4 acres 24 guntas	42	159	6 acres 14 guntas
15	132	4 acres 10 guntas	43	160	22 acres 33 guntas
16	133	4 acres 25 guntas	44	161	4 acres 38 guntas
17	134	4 acres 24 guntas	45	162	2 acres 11 guntas
18	135	8 acres 18 guntas	46	164	4 acres 4 guntas
19	136	5 acres 26 guntas	47	165	5 acres 11 guntas
20	137	3 acres 32 guntas	48	166	6 acres 20 guntas
21	-----	------------	49	167	4 acres 4 guntas
22	139	10 acres 06 guntas	50	168	4 acres 26 guntas
23	140	4 acres 8 guntas	51	169	4 acres 5 guntas
24	141	1 acres 31 guntas	52	170	4 acres 7 guntas
25	142	4 acres 27 guntas	53	171	3 acres 38 guntas
26	143	5 acres 10 guntas	54	172	3 acres 32 guntas
27	144	2 acres 14 guntas	55	163	4 acres 16 guntas
28	145	10 acres 32 guntas			

Shimoga Nagaraj HH, Advocate,
No. 640/3, D Block, 2nd Stage, Dr. Rajkumar Road, Rajajinagar, Bengaluru - 560 010.

FORM NO. NCLT. 3A
Advertisement detailing petition
[see Rule 35]
Company Petition (CP) No. 102 of 2021
Notice of petition

To,

i. Sudhir Angur (Respondent No. 2) S/o Guddappa Angur No. 48/B, 27th Main, 1st Cross, BTM 1st Stage, Bengaluru Karnataka - 560068.

ii. Mala Madikeri Srinivas Gouda (Respondent No. 4) W/o Srinivas Gouda No. 100, 34th Main, 2ND Cross Dollars Scheme, BTM 1 Stage Bengaluru, Karnataka- 560068

iii. Krishnamohan Ramineni (Respondent No. 5) S/o Shri Ramineni, No. 302, SDE Sai Residency, Plot No. 88, Srinagar Colony, Hyderabad, Telengana - 500073.

iv. Prakash Siddappa Budoor (Respondent No. 6) S/o B. Siddappa No. 100, 34TH Main, 2ND Cross Dollars Scheme, BTM 1 Stage Bengaluru, Karnataka - 560068.

v. Shivappa Manthur (Respondent No. 7) S/o Ramappa Vekateshwara House, 19TH Cross, 7th Main, BTM Layout, 2nd Stage, N.S. Palya Bengaluru, Karnataka - 560068.

Please note that a petition under section 59, 241 and 242 of the Companies Act, 2013, for Rectification of Register and Oppression and Mismanagement bearing No. 102/2021 was presented by Dr. Madhukar G. Angur on 14th day of November, 2021against you and the said petition is fixed for hearing before the Bangalore bench of National Company Law Tribunal on 25.05.2022. On 07.02.2022, the Hon'ble NCLT issued notice against the Petition against you and on 22.03.2022, the Hon'ble NCLT directed the Petitioner to service the notice of the present petition to you vide substituted mode of service through paper publication. You are hereby put to notice of the captioned petition and directed to enter his/her appearance through his advocate. Any of you desirous of supporting or opposing the said petition should send to the petitioner's advocate, notice of his/her intention, signed by him or his advocate, with his/her name and address, so as to reach the petitioner's advocate not later than 'two days before the date fixed for the hearing of the petition. Where he/she seeks to oppose the petition, the grounds of opposition or a copy of his affidavit shall be furnished with such notice. A copy of the petition will be furnished by the undersigned to any person requiring the same on payment of the prescribed charges for the same.

Ashima Mandla & Mandakini Singh
(Advocates for petitioner)
X-24, L.G.F., Hauz Khas, New Delhi-110016
Ph. No. 99997 20092
Dated: 07.05.2022

PHYSICAL POSSESSION NOTICE

ICICI Bank — **Branch Office:** ICICI BANK LTD., Regional Office P B No. 96, Door No. 6/975, Shafeer Complex Kannur Road- 673001

Whereas

The Authorized Officer of ICICI Bank Limited under the Securitisation, Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of the powers conferred undersection 13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) rules 2002, issued demand notices upon the borrowers mentioned below, to repay the amount mentioned in the notice within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/ her under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said rules on the below-mentioned dates. The borrower in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of ICICI Bank Limited.

Sr. No.	Name of the Borrower (Loan Account Number) & Address	Description of Property/ Date of Possession	Date of Demand Notice/ Amount in Demand Notice	Name of Branch
1.	Lathifa BI/ K Mohammed Iqbal No 106 Colombia Celest 1A Puttenahalli Main Road J P Nagar 7th Phase Bangalore - 560078/ UVBNG00041201400	KA01AG5702/ MC2M1PRC0GF009391/ VEDX5313102A1P/ EICHER PRO 6031 27/04/2022/	August 27, 2021 Rs.13,70,004/-	Bangalore

The above-mentioned borrowers(s)/ guarantors(s) are hereby given a 30 day notice to repay the amount, else the Secured Assets will be sold on the expiry of 30 days from the date of publication of this Notice, as per the provisions under the Rules 8 and 9 of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002.

Date : May 07, 2022 **Authorized Officer**
Place: Bangalore **ICICI Bank Limited**

SYMBOLIC POSSESSION NOTICE

ICICI Bank — **Branch Office:** ICICI BANK LTD. 4/10, Mythree Tower, Bommanhalli Hosur Main Road Bangalore-560068

Whereas

The undersigned being the Authorized Officer of ICICI Bank Limited under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of the powers conferred under section 13 (12) R/w Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) rules 2002, issued demand notices upon the borrowers mentioned below, (on underlying pool assigned to ICICI Bank by Dewan Housing Finance Ltd.) in relation to the enforcement of security in respect of a housing loan facility granted pursuant to a loan agreement entered into between DHFL and the borrower, to repay the amount mentioned in the notice within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

As the borrower failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken Symbolic possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/ her under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said rules on the below-mentioned dates. The borrower in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of ICICI Bank Limited.

Sr. No.	Name of the Borrower/ Number (Loan Account Number (DHFL Old LAN & ICICI New LAN)	Description of Property/ Date of Symbolic Possession	Date of Demand Notice/ Amount in Demand Notice (Rs.)	Name of Branch
1.	Kumar A N/Thejaswini G V/ 02800005885/ QZSGA00005024482	All that piece and parcel of the property bearing 2 nd Stage Site No. 475 and 512 Measuring 6*9 meter, 3 rd Stage Site No. 37 and 38 measuring 6*9 meter, Situated at Guddenahalli Village, Kasaba Hobli Hassan Taluk, under the limits of Hassan City Development Authority,/ Date of symbolic possession-04.05.2022	27.08.2021 Rs. 19,99,982/-	Shimoga

The above-mentioned borrowers(s)/ guarantors(s) are hereby given a 30 day notice to repay the amount, else the mortgaged properties will be sold on the expiry of 30 days from the date of publication of this Notice, as per the provisions under the Rules 8 and 9 of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002.

Date: May 07, 2022 **Authorized Officer**
Place: Bangalore **ICICI Bank Limited**

STATE BANK OF INDIA

ASSETS RECOVERY MANAGEMENT BRANCH (ARMB), BENGALURU

Authorised Officer's Details:
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Mobile No: +91 8754140264
Landline No. (Office): 080-2594 3765/25943769

Address of the Branch:
Mysore Bank Building, BKG Complex, 'A' Block, 2nd Floor, Avenue Road, Bengaluru-560 009.
Telephone: 080-25943765/25943769
E-Mail: sbi.40564@sbi.co.in

"APPENDIX- IV-A
[See proviso to Rule 8 (6)]
SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERY

e-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Properties under Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8(6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrowers/guarantor, that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured creditor, Physical possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of State Bank of India, Secured Creditor, will be sold on "**As is where is**", "**As is what is**" and "**Whatever there is**" basis on **25.05.2022** for recovery of **Rs.52,26,296/- (Rupees Fifty Two lakhs Twenty Six Thousand Two hundred and Ninety Six only) as on 07.02.2022** + interest w.e.f. **08/02/2022** at contractual rate + expenses and costs, due to State Bank of India, Secured creditor from **Sri. T.Suman S/o Sri. Sudhakar Reddy T** (Borrower/s). The reserve price, earnest money deposit and bid increment amount and last date for receipt of EMD will be as under:-

Sl. No.	Reserve Price (Below which the properties will not be sold)	Earnest Money Deposit	Bid Increment Amount	Last date for receipt of EMD
1.	Rs. 33,61,000/-	Rs. 3,36,100/-	Rs.50,000/-	23.05.2022

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY

Tender No: SBI/ARMB/PKB/64175129188,64183251925/2022-23

Property No. 1 – (Title deed holder: Sri. T.Suman S/o Sri. Sudhakar Reddy T)

SCHEDULE 'A' PROPERTY: All that part and parcel of the house property bearing Old Khata No.214, **Present BBMP Katha No.511/178/A/179/2**, (511, 178/4/A-179/2/A) comprised in Converted Sy.Nos.178/4A & 179/2A, (Converted from agricultural to non-agricultural residential purpose vide Conversion order bearing No.ALN (E) SR (KR) 156/2005-06, dated 24/02/2010 issued by the Special Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore Dist, Bangalore), situated at Mahadevapura Village, K.R.Puram, Hobli, earlier Bangalore South Taluk, presently Bangalore East Taluk, earlier wiring the Jurisdiction of Mahadevapura CMC, presently under the administrative Jurisdiction of BBMP, and measuring East to West 177 feet, and North to South 75 feet., totally measuring 13,275 Sq.feet, with all rights, appurtenances whatsoever hereunder or underneath or above the surface stand and bounded on the: East By: Road, West By: Private Property, North By: Property belonging to M.Narayana Reddy, South By: Private Property.

SCHEDULE 'B' PROPERTY: 253 Sq.feet undivided right, title and interest in the immovable property mentioned in Schedule 'A' above.

SCHEDULE 'C' PROPERTY: Flat bearing No.504, in the Fifth Floor, measuring about 1048 Sq.feet super built up area, containing Two bed rooms, together with RCC Roofing, Vitrified flooring along with One covered car parking space, including proportionate share in common areas such as passages, lobbies, stair case, lift etc., in the multistoried residential building known as **'Sree Sapthagiri Paradise'** constructed over Schedule 'A' Property held in name of **Sri.T Suman.**

For further details regarding inspection of the property the intending bidder may contact the Authorised Officer, State Bank of India, Asset Recovery Management Branch, Bengaluru- during office hours, Phone No. 080-25943765/25943769 or Mr. Anjan Kumar, Bangalore, Cell No.8660590654, Mr. Praveen Kumar, Cell No. 9606515099

To the best of knowledge of the Authorised Officer, there is no encumbrance on any of the above said properties. For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided in https://www.mstcecommerce.com/auctionhome/ibapi/index.jsp.

Place: Bengaluru
Date : 04.05.2022

Sd/- Authorised Officer
State Bank of India,
ARMB, Bengaluru

PUBLIC NOTICE

GENERAL PUBLIC ARE HEREBY INFORMED THAT, my client intends to release the Settlor / Managing Trustee, **Mr. Lourd Prem Vijay,** from Spreading Hope Foundation, based on his request and resignation and to add **Dr. Pallavi Patri,** as a new Settlor / Managing Trustee to **Spreading Hope Foundation** having Trust office address: #402, 4th Floor, Grape Garden Enclave, 64/1, 1st Cross, Vivekanandnagar, Bangalore-560 084, Karnataka, India. As per the Board Meeting Code: 02/2022-23, dated: 10.04.2022 and according to the by-laws stated in the principal TRUST DEED dated: 05-07-2017, of Spreading Hope Trust, the Board of Trustees accepting the resignation of Mr. LOURD PREM VIJAY and relieving him from the Settlor / Managing Trustee role with effect from 10th day of April, 2022, and to add Dr. PALLAVI PATRI, D/o Sri. Patri Bhimasena Rao, by Occupation: Doctor, residing at Bengaluru as a new SETTLOR / MANAGING TRUSTEE in Spreading Hope Foundation Trust with effect from 10th day of April, 2022 and provides full POWER to execute and perform all the decisions, resolutions passed by the Board as per the Resolution passed in the Board Meeting Code: 01/2022-23 & 02/2022-23 both dated: 10.04.2022. All persons having any claim against the relieving from and adding to the role of SETTLOR / MANAGING TRUSTEE thereof, by way of MOU, Agreement, G.P.A, transfer, Lease Deed, License, Lien, Charge, Trust, Addendum to the Trust, WILL, Maintenance, adverse possession or otherwise howsoever are hereby required to submit the same in writing along with documentary proof/s to the undersigned office within **15 days** from the date of publication hereof, failing which my client shall proceed without any reference to such claim/s and the same, if any, will be considered as waived.

Sd/- **GANESH .B.R / GHANASHYAM .G,**
GANESH LAW ASSOCIATES, ADVOCATE & SOLICITORS
No. 217, 1st Floor, SLN Complex, 4th Main, 3rd Cross, Chamarajpet, Bengaluru-560 018. Ph: 080-79625681;
Mob: +91 78926 08987, +91 97409 05815 Date: 06-05-2022

केनरा बैंक Canara Bank

ULSOOR Branch
No: 18, Cambridge Road, ULSOOR, Pin – 560008, Bengaluru, Ph: 9483530791
e-mail: cb0791@canarabank.com

SALE NOTICE

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Properties under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with provision to Rule 8 (6) and 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the constructive/ physical possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of **Ulsoor Branch** of the Canara Bank., will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and " Whatever there is" on **30.05.2022** from **10.30 A.M. to 11.30 A.M.**, for recovery of **Rs.34,26,301/-** as on 23.03.2022 due to the **Ulsoor Branch** of Canara Bank from **1. J U M P, Prop: Eramma C S Raju, 2.Eramma C S Raju,** # 62, Ground Floor, Near J J Apartments,23rd Cross, Vijayanagar, Bengaluru-560040

The reserve price will be **Rs.57,96,000/-** and the earnest money deposit will be **Rs.5,79,600/-**. The Earnest Money Deposit shall be deposited on or before **26.05.2022** before **4.00 pm.**

Details and full description of the immovable property with known encumbrances, if any:

All that piece and parcel of Immovable property bearing Unit No. F 105, First Floor Fifth Avenue Separate Corp No.182/26, Bounded on: East By : Brigade Road Corp Ward No76,B'lore, West By : Brigade Road, South By : Pvt Property, North By : Pvt Property Private Property Note: (Schedule A:) 414 sft SBA along with 192.57 sq ft UDS of Land Unit NO: F 105,first Floor ,"Fifth Avenue", Separate Corp No,182/26, Brigade Road, Corp Ward No,76,B'lore

EMD shall be deposited by way of DD favoring **"Authorised officer, Canara Bank, Ulsoor Branch"** OR through online (RTGS/NEFT/Fund Transfer) to credit to the account number **209272434 – CANARA BANK SL- OL -NEFT-RTGS-PMT, IFSC Code: CNRB0000791** on or before **26.05.2022 upto 4.00pm.**

For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer service providers Website : https://indianbankseauction.com or may contact or may contact **Smt. N Kavitha Shetty,** Authorised Officer, Canara Bank, Ulsoor Branch, **Ph: 9483530791, 9945795999, email: cb0791@canarabank.com** during office hours on any working day.OR the service provider M/s.Canbank Computer Services Ltd, Bangalore, Contact No:9832952602/080-23469665, Email Id: eauction@ccsl.co.in.

Place: Ulsoor
Date: 05.05.2022

Sd/-Authorised Officer
Canara Bank
Ulsoor Branch

CITY UNION BANK LIMITED

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Credit Recovery and Management Department
Administrative Office : No. 24-B, Gandhi Nagar, Kumbakonam - 612 001. **E-Mail id :** crmd@cityunionbank.in, **Ph :** 0435-2432322, **Fax :** 0435-2431746

RE-TENDER-CUM-AUCTION SALE NOTICE UNDER SARFAESI ACT 2002

The following property/ies mortgaged to **City Union Bank Limited** will be sold in Re-Tender-cum-Public Auction by the Authorised Officer of the Bank, under Rule 8 (6) & 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, under the SARFAESI Act, 2002, for recovery of a sum of **Rs.71,93,572/- (Rupees Seventy One Lakh Ninety Three Thousand Five Hundred and Seventy Two only)** as on **04-05-2022** together with further interest to be charged from **05-05-2022** onwards and other expenses, any other dues to the Bank by the borrowers / guarantors **No.1) M/s. Confident Group, No.187 A, First Floor, 2nd Cross, Minaj Nagar, Bendra Nagar, Kadirenahalli, Bengaluru - 560070. No.2) Mr. N. Thyagaraju, S/o. Narayana Babu, No.301, Aishwarya Bills, 7th Cross, Shakambari Nagar, Sarakki Main Road, J.P. Nagar 1st Phase, Bengaluru - 560078. No.3) Mrs. Suma Thyagaraju, W/o. N. Thyagaraju, No.301, Aishwarya Bills, 7th Cross, Shakambari Nagar, Sarakki Main Road, J.P. Nagar 1st Phase, Bengaluru -560078. No.4) M/s. Banasri Infra, No.187 A, First Floor, 2nd Cross, Minaj Nagar, Bendra Nagar, Kadirenahalli, Bengaluru - 560070.**

Note : 1) That our **139-Bengaluru-Indira Nagar Branch** has also extended Financial Assistance (FITL - ADHOC:501912090017481) dated **07-09-2020** requested by No.1 of you represented by No.2 of you as Proprietor for which No.3 of you stood as Co-obligant and No. 2 and 3 of you stood as Guarantors for the facility for a total amount of **Rs. 2,01,000/-** at a ROI of **13%.** The same has been also classified as **NPA** on **29-01-2021** and the outstanding balance as on **04-05-2022** is **Rs. 2,48,726/-** plus further interest and penal interest of **2.00%** with monthly rests to be charged from **05-05-2022** till the date of realization.

2) That our **139-Bengaluru-Indira Nagar Branch** has also extended Financial Assistance (FITL - ADHOC:501912090017482) dated **07-09-2020** requested by No.4 of you represented by No. 3 of you as Proprietrix for which No.2 of you stood as Co-obligant and No. 2 and 3 of you stood as Guarantors for the facility for a total amount of **Rs. 2,01,000/-** at a ROI of **13%.** The same has been also classified as **NPA** on **29-01-2021** and the outstanding balance as on **04-05-2022** is **Rs. 2,43,159/-** plus further interest and penal interest of **2.00%** with monthly rests to be charged from **05-05-2022** till the date of realization.

Immovable Property Mortgaged to our Bank
(Property Owned by Mrs. Suma Thyagaraju, W/o. N. Thyagaraju)

All that piece and parcel of the Northern portion of the immovable Residential Building property bearing Site No.3, VP Khatha, No.279, Present BBMP Khatha No.279/3/564 situated at Kothanur Village, Utharahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk presently coming under the jurisdiction of BBMP together with all rights and appurtenances whatsoever whether underneath or above the surface measuring East to West 30 feet and North to South 20 feet totally measuring 600 sq.feet. Boundaries : East by : Pvt. Property, West By : Road, North by : Site No.2, South by : Remaining portion of the same site No.3 together, with 12 sq. of RCC Roofed Residential Building comprising of Ground Floor 450 Sq.Ft., First Floor 450 Sq.Ft. and Second Floor 450 Sq.Ft. with Granite Flooring, Cement and Brick Walls, Teakwood Doors and Jungle Wood provided with all basic civic amenities such as Electricity, Water and Sanitation facilities.

Reserve Price : Rs.57,00,000/-
(Rupees Fifty Seven Lakh Only)

RE-AUCTION DETAILS

Date of Re-Tender-cum-Auction Sale	Venue
01-06-2022	**City Union Bank Limited, Bengaluru-Indira Nagar Branch,** 194, Ground Floor, 7th Cross, I Stage, Indira Nagar, Bengaluru - 560038. Telephone No.080-25205030, Cell No. 9341003179.

Terms and Conditions of Re-Tender-cum-Auction Sale :

(1) The intending bidders should be present in person for the auction and participate personally and give a declaration in writing to the effect that he/she is bidding for himself / herself. **(2)** The intending bidders may obtain the Tender Forms from **The Manager, City Union Bank Limited, Bengaluru-Indira Nagar Branch, 194, Ground Floor, 7th Cross, I Stage, Indira Nagar, Bengaluru – 560038. (3)** The intending bidders should submit their bids only in the Tender Form prescribed in sealed envelopes addressed to **The Authorised Officer, City Union Bank Ltd.,** together with a Pay Order / Demand Draft for an EMD of **10%** of the Reserve Price, drawn in favour of **"City Union Bank Ltd.", on or before 01.00 p.m.** on the date of Tender-cum-Auction Sale hereby notified. **(4)** For inspection of the property and other particulars, the intending purchaser may contact **Telephone No.080-25205030, Cell No. 9341003179. (5)** The property/ies are sold on "As-is-where-is", "As-is-what-is" and "whatever-there is" basis. **(6)** The sealed tenders will be opened in the presence of the intending bidders at **02.00 p.m.** on the date of Tender-cum-Auction Sale hereby notified. Though in general the sale will be by way of closed tenders, the Authorised Officer may, at his sole discretion, conduct an Open Auction among the interested bidders who desire to quote a bid higher than the one received in the closed tender process, and in such an event, the sale shall be conferred on the person making highest bid. The sale, however, is subject to confirmation of City Union Bank Limited. **(7)** The successful bidder shall have to pay **25% (inclusive of EMD paid)** of the sale amount **immediately** on completion of sale and the balance amount of **75%** within **15 days** from the date of confirmation of sale, failing which the initial deposit of **25%** shall be forfeited. **(8)** The Sale Certificate will be issued by the Authorised Officer in favour of the successful purchaser only after receipt of the entire sale consideration within the time limit stipulated herein. **(9)** The successful purchaser shall bear the charges/fees payable for conveyance, such as stamp duty, registration fee etc., as applicable under law. **(10)** The successful bidder should pay the statutory dues (lawful house tax, electricity charges and other dues), TDS, GST if any, due to Government, Government Undertaking and local bodies. **(11)** The Authorised Officer shall have all the powers to accept or reject the bids or postpone or cancel the sale without assigning any reason whatsoever.

Place : Kumbakonam, Date : 06-05-2022 **Authorised Officer**

Regd. Office : 149, T.S.R. (Big) Street, Kumbakonam, Thanjavur District, Tamil Nadu - 612 001, **CIN -** L65110TN1904PLC001287, **Telephone No.** 0435-2402322, **Fax :** 0435-2431746, **Website :** www.cityunionbank.com

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is notify to the Public that, my client, **Mr. Veerabadra B.N,** S/o late Veeranna, R/at No.139, 2nd Main, 'B' Block, BDA Layout, Lingarajapuram, Bengaluru-560084, has reported that Original Sale Deed documents, registered as document No.BLN-1-19234/2005-06 and document No.BLN-1-19857/2006-07, in the office of the Sub-Registrar, Bengaluru North Taluk, Bengaluru, pertaining to the Schedule Property has been lost, while shifting house. My client Mr. Veerabadra .B.N is the lawful owners of the schedule property. My Client has lodged complaint on this regard with Bangalore City Police on 29.04.2022, vide Lost Report No.0212102/2022.

That General Public is hereby informed that any person/s finds the above said documents is requested to return the same either to the undersigned or to my client within **15 days** and the finder shall be appropriately rewarded.

SCHEDULE OF PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing Site No.108, H.L. Khatha No.36, Assessment No.102, situated at Lakshmipura Village, Dasanapura Hobli, Bengaluru North Taluk, measuring East to West 40 Feet, North to South 20 Feet, Total Measuring 1200 Square Feet and bounded on the; **East By:** Road, **West By:** Site No.119, **North by:** Site No.107, **South by:** Site No.109.

R. NAGARAJA, Advocate,
No.6, R.S. Building, Opp. Kristu Jayanthi College, K. Narayanapura Main Road BENGALURU- 560 077.
PH: 9900242210/7259076150
Place: Bengaluru. Date: 07/05/2022

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Dy. Chief Electrical Engineer (Construction) Western Railway DRM's Office, Annex Building 3rd Floor Do-Batti RATLAM (M.P.) 457 001. Invites E-offer on IREPS portal for tenders as per the details given below. **Name of work:** Design, Supply, Erection, Testing & Commissioning of 25 KV AC OHE including removal of infringements and Electrification work of Station building, S&T structure, Covering shed, FOB, Platform, L.C. gate etc., for doubling work between Rau-Dr. Ambedkar Nagar Railway Station Section on Ratlam Division of Western Railway in connection with Ratlam-Mhow-Khandwa-Akola Gauge conversion project. **Approx value:** 8,89,53,247.00/- **EMD:** 5,94,800.00/- **Online bidding start date:** 16.05.2022. **Tender closing date:** 30.05.2022 upto; 15:00 Hrs. **Tender Notice No.:** EL-C-RTM-2022-02-T. Please visit our website **www.ireps.gov.in** to download the tender document, corrigendum and further details. 0084

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Indian Overseas Bank

Retail Mart-Residency Road Branch, No. 2, Janardhan Tower, Ground Floor, Gen Kariappa Road, Residency Road, Bangalore 560025. Ph.: 080-22950270 Email: 0800retail@iob.in

POSSESSION NOTICE - FOR IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES (APPENDIX IV) POSSESSION NOTICE (for immovable property) [(Rule 8(1)]

Whereas, The undersigned being the Authorised Officer of the Indian Overseas Bank under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(12) read with rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a **demand notice dated 21.02.2022** calling upon the borrowers / mortgagors / guarantors **Mrs. ANITHA K.,** W/o. Rudresh B.N. residing at No.14, 4th Floor, 9th cross, Sollapuradamma Layout, Srinivasnagar, Sunkadakatte, Near Vidyanikethan School, Bangalore-560091 (hereinafter referred as "borrower") to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being **Rs. 55,15,632.79 (Rupees Fifty Five Lakhs Fifteen Thousand Six Hundred Thirty Two and Paise Seventy Nine Only)** as on **20.02.2022** with further interest at contractual rates and rests, charges etc., till date of realization, within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

(1) The borrowers having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrowers and the public in general that the **undersigned has taken possession** of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/ her under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said Rules on this **05.05.2022.**

(2) The borrowers in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of Indian Overseas Bank for an amount of **Rs. 55,15,632.79 (Rupees Fifty Five Lakhs Fifteen Thousand Six Hundred Thirty Two and Paise Seventy Nine Only)** as on **20.02.2022** with interest thereon at contractual rates & rests as agreed, charges etc., from the aforesaid date mentioned in the demand notice till date of payment less repayments, if any, made after issuance of Demand Notice. The dues payable as on the date of taking possession is **Rs. 55,95,515/-** payable with further interest at contractual rates & rests, charges etc., till date of payment.

(3) The borrowers attention is invited to provisions of Sub-section(8) of the Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available to them, to redeem the secured assets.

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

Residential Flat bearing **No.116, First Floor, D S MAX SWATANTRA,** at old Sy. No. 12/3, New Sy. No. 12/6, at Hallehalli Village, Bidarahalli Hobli, Bangalore East Tq. Bangalore District, with Super built area of 1080 sq.ft. together with undivided share of 320 sq.ft. in the name of **Anitha K. Postal Address of the property is: Flat No.116, First Floor, D S MAX SWATANTRA,** at old Sy. No. 12/3, New Sy. No. 12/6, at Hallehalli Village, Bidarahalli Hobli, Bangalore East Tq. Bangalore District.

Date : 05.05.2022 **Sd/-**
Place : Bangalore **Authorised Officer**

Note : Advertisement matter published in English will prevail in case of any discrepancy.

CITY UNION BANK LIMITED

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Credit Recovery and Management Department
Administrative Office : No. 24-B, Gandhi Nagar, Kumbakonam - 612 001. **E-Mail id:** crmd@cityunionbank.in, **Phone:** 0435-2432322, **Fax:** 0435-2431746

RE-TENDER-CUM-AUCTION SALE NOTICE UNDER SARFAESI ACT 2002

The following property/ies mortgaged to **City Union Bank Limited** will be sold in Re-Tender-cum-Public Auction by the Authorised Officer of the Bank, under Rule 8 (6) & 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, under the SARFAESI Act, 2002, for recovery of a sum of **Rs.30,90,406/- (Rupees Thirty Lakh Ninety Thousand Four Hundred and Six only)** as on **04-05-2022** together with further interest to be charged from **05-05-2022** onwards and other expenses, any other dues to the Bank by the borrowers / guarantors **No.1) M/s. Kumar Sports, No.11/2, Ist Floor, Next to Sanjevani, Queen's Road, Bangalore - 560052. Also at, M/s. Kumar Sports, No.157/2, 7th Cross, New Byappanahalli Extn., Indira Nagar, Bengaluru - 560038. No.2) Mr. P. Padma Kumar, S/o. Padmanabha Pillai, No.157/2, 7th Cross, New Byappanahalli Extn., Indira Nagar, Bengaluru - 560038. No.3) Mrs. Vinitha, W/o. P. Padma Kumar, No.157/2, 7th Cross, New Byappanahalli Extn., Indira Nagar, Bengaluru - 560038.**

Note : That our **139 - Bengaluru - Indira Nagar Branch** has also extended financial assistance (CUB OSL SPECIAL-BR:501812080050700) dated **29-03-2019** requested by No.2 of you for which No.3 of you stood as Co-obligant for the facility for a total amount of **Rs. 7,20,000/-** at a ROI of **17%.** The same has been also classified as **NPA** on **27-01-2021** and the outstanding balance as on **04-05-2022** is **Rs.9,93,126/-** plus further interest and penal interest of **2.00%** with monthlyrests to be charged from **05-05-2022** till the date of realization.

Immovable Property Mortgaged to our Bank
(Property Owned by Mr. P. Padma Kumar, S/o. Padmanabha Pillai)

All that piece and parcel of the Southern Portion of the entire schedule property site being Northern Portion of No.109, situated at Byappanahalli Village, Krishnarajapuram Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk. Now under BBMP limits Bangalore Ward No.85(79) measuring East to West 40 ft. and North to South 15 ft. in all 600 Sq.ft. Boundaries : East by : Property of Ramachandrappa, West by : Road, North by : Part-A Property fallen to the Share of Smt. Kanakalatha, South by : Property of A. Gajendra alongwith Superstructure putup therein.

Reserve Price: Rs.45,00,000/-
(Rupees Forty Five Lakh Only)

RE-AUCTION DETAILS

Date of Re-Tender-cum-Auction Sale	Venue
01-06-2022	**City Union Bank Limited, Bengaluru-Indira Nagar Branch,** 194, Ground Floor, 7th Cross, I Stage, Indira Nagar, Bengaluru – 560038. Telephone No.080-25205030, Cell No.9341003179.

Terms and Conditions of Re-Tender-cum-Auction Sale :

(1) The intending bidders should be present in person for the auction and participate personally and give a declaration in writing to the effect that he/she is bidding for himself / herself. **(2)** The intending bidders may obtain the Tender Forms from **The Manager, City Union Bank Limited, Bengaluru-Indira Nagar Branch, 194, Ground Floor, 7th Cross, I Stage, Indira Nagar, Bengaluru – 560038. (3)** The intending bidders should submit their bids only in the Tender Form prescribed in sealed envelopes addressed to **The Authorised Officer, City Union Bank Ltd.,** together with a Pay Order / Demand Draft for an EMD of **10%** of the Reserve Price, drawn in favour of **"City Union Bank Ltd.", on or before 12.00 Noon** on the date of Tender-cum-Auction Sale hereby notified. **(4)** For inspection of the property and other particulars, the intending purchaser may contact : **Telephone No.080-25205030, Cell No.9341003179. (5)** The property/ies are sold on "As-is-where-is", "As-is-what-is" and "whatever-there is" basis. **(6)** The sealed tenders will be opened in the presence of the intending bidders at **01.00 p.m.** on the date of Tender-cum-Auction Sale hereby notified. Though in general the sale will be by way of closed tenders, the Authorised Officer may, at his sole discretion, conduct an Open Auction among the interested bidders who desire to quote a bid higher than the one received in the closed tender process, and in such an event, the sale shall be conferred on the person making highest bid. The sale, however, is subject to confirmation of City Union Bank Limited. **(7)** The successful bidder shall have to pay **25% (inclusive of EMD paid)** of the sale amount **immediately** on completion of sale and the balance amount of **75%** within **15 days** from the date of confirmation of sale, failing which the initial deposit of **25%** shall be forfeited. **(8)** The Sale Certificate will be issued by the Authorised Officer in favour of the successful purchaser only after receipt of the entire sale consideration within the time limit stipulated herein. **(9)** The successful purchaser shall bear the charges/fees payable for conveyance, such as stamp duty, registration fee etc., as applicable under law. **(10)** The successful bidder should pay the statutory dues (lawful house tax, electricity charges and other dues), TDS, GST if any, due to Government, Government Undertaking and local bodies. **(11)** The Authorised Officer shall have all the powers to accept or reject the bids or postpone or cancel the sale without assigning any reason whatsoever.

Place: Kumbakonam, Date: 06-05-2022 **Authorised Officer**

Regd. Office: 149, T.S.R. (Big) Street, Kumbakonam, Thanjavur District, Tamil Nadu - 612 001, **CIN -** L65110TN1904PLC001287, **Telephone No.**0435-2402322, **Fax:** 0435-2431746, **Website:** www.cityunionbank.com

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